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# LEAGUE BLOCKS PROGRESS AT SIMLA

## WAVELL MAY ANNOUNCE FAILURE OF PLAN

### *But Congress President Refuses To Lose Hope*

**The general impression in Simla is that the Leaders' Conference will reassemble on Saturday only to hear Lord Wavell announce the failure of his plan because the Muslim League would not co-operate.**

CONGRESS POSITION

**The cause of the threatened failure is the conflict between the Muslim League claim to have all the Muslim seats on the proposed reconstituted Viceroy's Council and the National Congress' position that it is representative of all elements in the national life of the country. Maulana Azad has made the Congress position clear: "If something is imposed on the Congress which shows that the Congress is a Hindu body and represents Hindus alone, the Congress will not accept that position at any cost". But, he said, "I am always hopeful; I was hopeful and I am hopeful now."**

SIMLA, July 12. (A.P.I.): The Congress Working Committee held a ninety-minute sitting to-day at Manor Ville. At the conclusion of the meeting Maulana Abul Kalam Azad told pressmen that he placed before the Working Committee details of the discussions he had with the Viceroy. It is understood that the Working Committee approved of the stand he had taken.

Asked if he was hopeful he said: "I am always hopeful. I was hopeful and I am hopeful now." Maulana Azad declined to throw any light on the nature of the talks he had with the Viceroy.

Asked if he was shown a list of names by the Viceroy, the Maulana said that it was a confidential matter and, therefore, he could not say anything.

The Working Committee will meet again at 2 p.m. to-morrow at Mahatma Gandhi's residence.

The Congress President has invited Congress invitees to the Simla conference to attend to-morrow's Working Committee meeting at 5 p.m. The Congress President will convey to the Congress invitees gist of his interview with Lord Wavell to-day.

Congress leaders are provisionally planning to leave Simla on July 15 and 16.

AZAD-WAVELL MEETING

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, and Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant left the Viceregal Lodge at 4 p.m. the Congress President's interview with the Viceroy having lasted an hour.

Maulana Azad, accompanied by

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### *MOVE FOR CONGRESS-LEAGUE SETTLEMENT*

SIMLA, July 12 (U.P.I.)—The "United Press" reliably understands that another effort to bring about a settlement between the Congress and the League is being made. A prominent member of the All-India Muslim League met Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, this morning in this connection. Further details are still lacking.

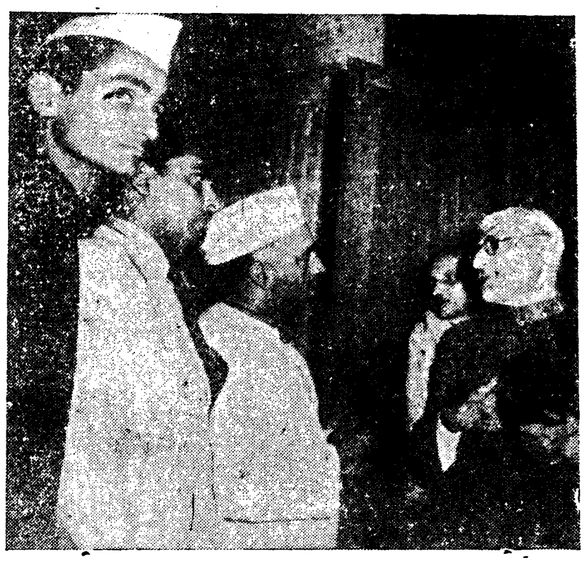
## Gandhiji Rebukes Unruly Crowds

### "Those Who Came To Pray Should Have Better Manners Than Soldiers"

SIMLA, July 12. (A.P.I.) Mahatma Gandhi's evening prayers, which were interrupted for two days due to inclement weather, were held as usual to-day.

Addressing the gathering in Hindustani at the end of the prayer, Mahatma Gandhi referred to the serious inconvenience experienced by his host due to unruly crowds. Some of them invaded the house opposite to Manor Villa, which belonged to Rajkumari Amrit Kaur's brotner and smashed flower pots and damaged the railing of the verandah. When checked by the Rani Saheba, they were rude to her. All this hurt him deeply. He would have liked to run away. But, after all, wherever he went crowds would go with him. He could not run away from them. He was their servant and he lived to serve them.

Some came to the prayers simply to have the Mahatma's 'darshan'. He had told them often enough that he was not a Mahatma. He was just one of them, an ordinary human being. He must, however, confess that he called in the name of God with every breath of his life and everything that he did he proceeded with God as his witness. But that should not make him a Mahatma. Every human being should act as he claimed he did. That was what distinguished man from the beast. Those who came to the prayers should at least have decent manners. Even the soldiers in arms observed discipline and behaved in an orderly fashion. Those who came to pray should have better manners, not worse. The object of coming to prayers was to praise God and for doing that purity of thought was a necessary prerequisite. If they could not control their minds, they should pray to God that he should enable them to have pure thoughts, at least during prayers. Gradually and with practice they would be able to control them at all times.



Maulana Abul Kalam Azad with some representatives of the press.

## "DON'T THROW AWAY THIS OPPORTUNITY"

(From Our Correspondent)

SIMLA, July 11.

**Mr. Jinnah had a letter from Lord Wavell last night, which, according to reports, puts in writing what he told Mr. Jinnah personally earlier in the week. According to the same reports Lord Wavell has appealed to Mr. Jinnah to trust him and not to throw away the opportunity offered to India, and to his community under his plan. There would be adequate security to Mussalmans if the League decided to come in. The League on the contrary will have to share the blame for wrecking the plan if it decided to stay cut.**

Critics hold that Mussalmans must be really unpopular in India if they demand protection from every section of Indian community. Another comment I heard was that the League does not desire settlement short of Pakistan. A Leaguer told that they had taken their decision—all seats in the Muslim bloc or nothing. We are staying on to plan out our programme if Lord Wavell drops us out and by-passes the League, was another remark I heard in Cecil Hotel lobby.

Much depends on Whitehall and on the results of the general elections in England. Lord Wavell has been in constant communication with London, and has now secured the necessary instructions from the British Cabinet. This evening will see the final stage of the Wavell Plan—whether it goes through or not. Political atmosphere is still depressing.

## Accept Attachment Scheme Or Abdicate

RAJKOT, July 12. (A.P.I.): The Political Agency appears to be determined to end the Attachment deadlock. Following Vadia State, the Durbars of Mansa and Bajana were approached by Lt.-Col. V. M. H. Cox, the Crown Representative's Special Officer, and given the option either to accept the Attachment Scheme or to engage a KARBHARI (Dewan) enjoying the confidence of the Crown Representative and also to cease taking active part in the administration of the State.

The "Associated Press" was informed on authority that Vadia having already accepted the Attachment Scheme, if the others were to continue their opposition, and thereby "disobey the Crown Representative's instructions", disciplinary action will promptly be taken.

Meanwhile, a contingent of the Crown Representative's special police has been requisitioned from Neemuch in the event of any contingency arising. Attention is now focussed on the attitude to be taken by the representatives of the non-Salute states now in Bombay and whether they will continue their opposition as hitherto.

### Princes Advised To Withdraw Resignations

BOMBAY, July 12. (A.P.I.): Members of the Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes who resigned in December last have now received intimation from the Chancellor, the Nawab of Bhopal, advising them to withdraw their resignations, in view of the assurance received by him when he met the Crown Representative in June last.

The letter says: "The Chancellor and members of the Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes resigned their respective offices on December 3, 1944. They had felt compelled to take this step in view of the two letters dated November 26 and December 2, 1944 from the political department, read in the background of the treatment accorded to the States in the last few years. The Princes regarded these letters as closing the door on further negotiations in regard to certain matters which involved questions of basic principle vitally affecting the states, their peoples and themselves. His Excellency the Viceroy has now had discussions with me on these questions, and has been good enough to review the position.

He has made it clear that the letters in question were not intended to convey the interpretation put upon them by the Princes. He has further assured us that he understands and appreciates our difficulties and will be prepared, as he always has been, to do what he can to remove them. He has also expressed his readiness to meet representatives of the Princes at an early date."

The letter while advising them to withdraw the resignation adds that "this step is considered desirable to enable the continuance of further negotiations with His Excellency on the outstanding questions affecting the states and to make it possible for the Princes to render their full contribution at this juncture towards the advancement of the country and the progress of their peoples".

It is understood that the letters referred to—which led to the resignation of the Standing Committee were replies to the representation made by the princes in respect of treaty rights and the setting up of a court of arbitration. The princes had expressed apprehension about the tendency to alter the states relationship with the crown and to qualify the observance of the crown's obligations by unilateral action without the consent of the states where issues related to fiscal, economic or financial matters including interpretation of treaties and agreements, the chamber had suggested that recourse should be made as a matter of right to a court of arbitration.

## Challenge To Jinnah

### Nationalist Muslim Bloc From Frontier To Bengal

SIMLA, July 12 (A. P. I.): Maulana Habibur Rehman, President of the All-India Majlis-i-Ahrar, had an hours talk with Dr. Khan Sahib, Premier of N.W. F. P. to-day. It is undehstood that the talk related to the future politics of both the Punjab and Frontier provinces.

Maulana Habibur Rehman also had informal discussions yesterday with Mr. Jalal-ud-Din Hashmi, Deputy Speaker of the Bengal Legislative Assembly and Mr. Baduraduja Ex-Mayor of Calcutta Corporation, to co-ordinate the activities of the Muslim Nationalist organisations and to establish a line of nationalist Muslims extending from the Frontier province to Bengal.

Maulana Habibur Rehman, in an interview, challenged the claim of the Muslim League to represent all the Muslims of India.

## *33 Killed In Two Air Crashes In 24 Hours At Same Spot!*

PRETORIA, July 11 (Reuter): Twenty-four passengers and a crew of four were killed when a Dakota aircraft of the South African air force crashed at Kisumu, Kenya, this morning, it was officially announced here. The passengers were all members of South African forces returning from the Mediterranean.

The cause of the accident was not disclosed, but an inquiry is being held.

**FIVE R. A. F. MEN KILLED**

NAIROBI, July 12. (Reuter): Five R. A. F. men were killed and five injured when a Catalina flying boat crashed at Kisumu, Lake Victoria, Kenya to-day the second major air disaster at this spot within 24 hours.

As a result of the Dakota crash (reported yesterday) biggest in the history of the S.A.A.F. —all night flying for South African airmen was suspended in the area pending an inquiry. Kisumu is surrounded by mountains rising to about 14,000 feet.

### U.N.R.R.A. Mission In Simla

SIMLA, July 12, (A. P. I.): The U. N. R. R. A. mission arrived in Simla to-day.

## *"Big Three" Move For World Peace Settlement*

### *Over 30 Boundary Disputes On Berlin Agenda*

WASHINGTON, July 12. (Reuter): When President Harry Truman arrives at a north European port, most probably Antwerp, he will be prepared to submit to the Berlin "Big Three Peace Conference", opening on July 18, proposals for a United Nations Peace Conference in 1946.

Mr. Churchill, Generalissimo Stalin and President Truman are expected to decide at Berlin and possibly at a subsequent meeting, upon a united 'Big Three' policy on major issues to be considered at this World Peace Conference.

This conference is thus regarded here as bearing the same relationship to the Peace Conference that Dumbarton Oaks bore to San Francisco.

A world peace settlement like the United Nations Security Organisation will be built round the keystone of unanimity of the great Powers.

BERLIN AGENDA.

Three subjects which, according to the United States proposals, will be discussed at the World Peace Conference will provide the background of the long term sections of the Berlin agenda.

The first of these is the settlement or confirmation of settlement of some 30 boundary disputes in Europe and also claims to slices of German territory by Holland, Belgium, France, Czechoslovakia and Poland and on Italian territory by France and Yugoslavia.

Only the broad outlines of European territorial settlement and the most urgent and difficult problems are expected to be thrashed out by the 'Big Three' at this first meeting.

Actual settlement of most of the issues is expected to be reached before the World Peace Conference meets by further "Big Three" consultations and negotiation of treaties between the states concerned defining boundaries and in the case of Axis satellites, fixing reparations. Some of these settlements are already foreshadowed in Armistice agreements.

The second subject on which the 'Big Three' are expected to reach unanimity is the political, economic and military settlement to be imposed on enemy states.

President Truman is expected to press for an early signature of a peace with Italy paving the way for the return of Italy to the comity of civilised peace-loving nations and making possible consideration of the Italian application for membership of the United Nations organisation.

Amid a cloud of secrecy and rumours the final stages in the preparations for the first step in the meeting of the "Big Three", since the defeat of Germany, now appear to be complete, cables Ian Munro, Reuter's special correspondent.

Held at Potsdam—the heart of Russian militarism just outside Berlin—it will be a "Win the Peace" conference with President Truman in place of the late President Roosevelt meeting Generalissimo Stalin for the first time.

DAVIES SEES EDEN.

Crowds cheering and shouting "Long live Churchill" greeted him when he visited Saint Jean de Luz yesterday.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent reports that Mr. Joseph Davies, President Truman's special representative, who arrived in Britain yesterday, has left for Germany after a stay of less than 24 hours. While in London he had conversations with Mr. Anthony Eden and the United States Ambassador, Mr John Winant.

Nothing is known yet of Generalissimo Stalin's movements, but a cable late this evening from Moscow said that a small group of British staff personnel had left there by air on their way to 'Big Three' conference.

The peace settlement with Italy becomes involved in a third broad issue to be discussed by the United Nations Peace Conference—the future of the Axis colonies, Italian and Japanese.

The hitherto unpublished Italian Armistice terms are extremely important in this connection.

It is known that Russia is desirous of playing an important part in the Pacific and Asiatic settlement whether she enters the war against Japan or not.

M. Viacheslav Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Commissar, is believed to have discussed the Russian claim on Japanese territory—some of it formerly Russian territory—with President Truman when they met in Washington.

### *NIGHT ATTACK ON JAP CITIES*

GUAM, July 12 (Reuter).—A force of between 500 and 550 Super Fortresses dropped more than 3,000 tons of incendiary and explosive bombs on four Japanese cities during a night attack tonight (Japanese Time).

Oil centres were also included in the attack which ranged over Honshu and Shikoku.

Other cities attacked were the munitions centre of Ichinomiya, nine miles south-west of Nagoya and Tsuruga in the west central part of Honsu.

Incendiaries were dropped on the cities and demolition bombs on Kawasaki petroleum centre sited on the reclaimed island in Tokyo Bay.

AUSTRALIA'S NEW PREMIER

CANBERRA, July 12 (Reuter): Mr. J. B. Chiefley is the new Prime Minister of Australia.

## STOP PRESS

NAIROBI AIR CRASH

NAIROBI, July 12 (Reuter).—Eleven people including high officials in the Tanganyika Government were killed when an aircraft taking off from Nairobi early today crashed and burst into flames. There are no survivors. The dead include Mr. S. R. Marlowe, Financial Secretary of Tanganyika, Mr. E. P. Troughton, Accountant-General, Tanganyika, Mr. R. H. Cutter of the Tanganyika Education Department and Mr. A. M. Johnstone, Construction Superintendent, East Africa Power and Lighting Company.

LONDON, July 12. (Reuter): One of the seven German prisoners of war, Wunderlich, on trial for the murder of a fellow prisoner, Wolfgang Rosterg, in a prison camp in Scotland in December last, was found not guilty to-day by a military court in London and acquitted.

The other six accused are Zuehlsdorff, Herzig, Koenig, Mertens, Goultz and Bruelling.

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Mahatma Gandhi going for evening prayers in Simla

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## PRINCES' MEETING CONCLUDES

BOMBAY, Thursday.—The Indian States are anxious that there should be the closest collaboration between British India and themselves in the sphere of industrial development and civil aviation in the post-war years. The States' representatives have already had discussions with the Government of India in this matter. Points arising from these discussions were placed today before the Standing Committee of Princes. The Committee expressed the opinion that the Chancellor should seek from Government further clarification on matters connected with industrial development and civil aviation with the aim of ensuring full collaboration between British India and the States.

A group of industrialists from the States will be leaving shortly for America and Britain on tour.

In the course of a communique, the Directorate of Public Relations stated:

"The functions of the Special Committee will soon be taken over by the Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes when it is reconstituted."

The Standing Committee concluded its deliberations today.

## CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST DR. PURDY

Charges were framed on Thursday against Dr. M. G. Purdy, Mallikarjun Rao, Robert Goodall and Reuben Sefarian by Mr. F. D. Kanga, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court. They were charged with escaping from lawful custody causing hurt, wrongful confinement and aiding and abetting each other. All the accused pleaded not guilty.

Earlier Dr. M. G. Parikh, Senior Medical Officer attached to Arthur Road Jail gave evidence about the various injuries sustained by the accused and the warders in the struggle between them when the accused were re-arrested after their alleged escape from jail.

The case was adjourned to July 23.

## "NEHRU NIGHT" REAPS RICH HARVEST

The Taj Mahal Hotel was the scene on Wednesday, July 11, of a bright entertainment got up by the Progressive Group for the purpose of collecting funds for the Kamala Nehru Hospital. The hearty response of the generous Bombay public, resulted in the sponsors reaping a rich harvest of Rs. 14,000.

A portrait of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was auctioned in the course of the evening; it managed to realise the handsome sum of Rs. 10,000 from Mr. J. R. Badami.

The guests were regaled with a lively variety entertainment which consisted of oriental dancis and items by members of the Judean Club and pupils of Professor Deodhar's School of Music.

A message was received by the Progressive Group from the Congress President, declaring that this help towards a noble cause was a fitting welcome to Nehru on his release.

## "HOMICIDAL STAB WOUND"

### Coroner's Jury's Verdict In Parsi Boy's Murder

BOMBAY, Thursday.

At the inquest held on the body of Noshir Phiroze Randeria, to-day the Coroner's Jury returned a verdict that death was due to a "homicidal stab wound in the neck by means of a knife caused by his elder brother Behram Phiroze alias Beli who has absconded".

The body was discovered on May 22, at 6 p.m. at No. 4, Dhaswadi. It was lying in a bed with a deep cut in the throat.

Phiroz Nasserwanji Randeria, a retired pensioner, the father of the deceased stated that he noticed no illwill between his sons. On the day of the incident, when he went to his house in the evening, he found that the door was locked from inside. With the help of a relation, he got the door opened by means of the ventilater. When he entered, he saw his son Noshir lying on the cot in a pool of blood. He saw a blood stained knife under the bedstead. Two drawers belonging to the deceased had been ransacked. He sent one of his daughters to fetch the police.

Replying to further questions the witness said that, suspect Beli was living all by himself in a separate room on the same floor, for the last three years.

Inspector R. W. Rale, who is in charge of investigations narrated how he took charge of the body and the bloodstained knife and other exhibits. He forced open suspect Beli's room and discovered some writing in a book in a drawer

One writing was shown to suspect's sister Freny who said that she could only recognise the signature "Beli" as in her brother's handwriting.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. V. L. D'Souza, the suspect is still at large.

### N. C. Mehta On "New Data In Gujarati Paintings"

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Under the auspices of Gujarat Research Society, Mr. N. C. Mehta delivered a lecture on "New Data in Gujarati paintings" this evening when the Hon'ble Justice Sir H. V. Divatia presided.

Mr. Mehta, with suitable illustrations explained the features of Gujarati paintings and showed how the art could be encouraged with distinctive and highly developed technique.

Hon'ble Justice Divatia stressed the need of educational and cultural bias in the development of Gujarati paintings and pleaded for retention of integrity of their artistic life. He congratulated Mr. Mehta for his initiative thanking him for his instructive address.

### Fatal Stabbing

BOMBAY, Thursday.—Resenting the teasing of two Pathans who called him a "Chokri", Asfar Amir Khan, stabbed and killed them both last evening.

Asfar Khan who was arrested by the Nagpada Police was put up before Mr. R. Mathalone at the Mazagaon Court today.

The Magistrate ordered the accused to be remanded in custody.

### B.P.O.A.'s Programme For Next Season

September 23rd—6000 Metres Cross Country Race.
October 21st to 28th—Bombay Province Basket-Ball Championship.
November 3rd to 11th—Bombay Province Volley-Ball Championship.
November 3rd-4th—Victory Athletic Meet.
November 11-18th—Bombay Province Amateur Wrestling Championship.
November 18th-25th—Bombay Provincial Hu-tu-tu Championship.
November 25th—5000 Metres Walking Race.
December 1st—2nd Junior Olympic Games.
December 2nd—100 Kilometres Cycle
December 9th—50 Kilometres Walking Race.
December 16th—Marathon Race.
December 22-23-24—All India Schools Athletics Meet.
January 6th—10,000 Metres Running Race.
January 10th—5,000 Metres Running Race.
January 12-13th—XI Annual Bombay Olympic Games and Bombay Provincial Weight Lifting Championship.
XII Indian Olympic Games at Bangalore 1st week of February, 1946.

Bombay Provincial team for the Indian Olympic Games will be selected on the result of the performances put up during this season. Let the motto of all athletics be—Training for it from to-day—Saving from now on—Competing from now on.

## High Court Reference To Sir Norman MacLeod

Before a full array of 12 High Court Judges in the Sessions Court Room which was packed with members of the Bar and officers of the High Court, all standing, the Acting Chief Justice Sir Harilal Kania made a reference to the death of Sir Norman MacLeod, one of the former Chief Justices, who retired in 1926.

The Acting Chief Justice said that with his active mind and almost disconcerting grasp of facts, Sir Norman was able to deal with the huge arrears which had piled up in his time. Sir Norman was no respector of forms and technicalities if he made up his mind that the ends of justice required a particular thing to be done. In the matter of appointments, the only criterion he adopted was merit, and flattery had no part in the selection. The Acting Chief Justice ended by saying, "We mourn his death and may his soul rest in peace."

The Advocate-General being out of Bombay, Sir Jamshedji Kanga on behalf of the Original Side Bar, associated himself with what had fallen from the Acting Chief Justice. Sir Jamshedji observed that fifteen years ago, he had the privilege on behalf of the Original Side Bar of bidding Sir Norman a happy and affectionate farewell in that very court, when in tones broken with emotion Sir Norman had bid farewell to the members of the Bar. Sir Jamshedji Kanga concluded by saying that, as Chief Justice, Sir Norman had maintained the highest traditions of British Justice.

The Government Pleader Mr. B. G. Rao also associated himself with these remarks.

### MISSIONARIES AND PROSELYTISATION

#### National Christian Party's View

The Executive Committee, Nationalist Christian Party, Bombay, has issued the following statement:—

The Committee feels very much concerned about the controversy that has been raging in the press and public in respect of the proselytising activities of the Christian missionaries in the country.

At the outset the Committee unequivocally declares it to be the inalienable right and duty of every Christian to carry on the work of preaching the Gospel which Christianity enjoins on him. In carrying out this duty in the true spirit of Christ, however, it is necessary that only fair and just means should be adopted and no undue pressure or enticement be used to bring anybody into our fold. The desire simply to add to the number is foreign to the spirit of Christianity. In no case particularly should minors be converted without the explicit consent of their parents or guardians.

The Committee further feels that the work of Evangelism should be carried on without deliberately injuring the feelings of others. It is unfortunate that Christianity being the religion of our alien rulers is associated in the public mind with our present political slavery. We would, therefore, suggest that missionary work, should, as far as possible, be left in the hands of India Clergy thereby eliminating foreign donationalising influence. The apprehension that the converts to Christianity will strengthen the anti-national forces in the country is without foundation whatsoever, as the converts are merged in a community that has been in the past and is at present as much nationalist as any other community.

The Committee feels that the question of mass conversion of untouchables and aboriginals is a delicate one and fraught with peculiar difficulties, but we do not share the view of any anthropologist that these people should be left alone. All these backward people should be educated to lead a better life. We strongly urge the Government of the country to realise its responsibility and reclaim these people into the pale of humanity by taking care to give them compulsory free elementary education and other human amenities.

### Bombay Government Gazette

Mr. F. A. Beart is confirmed as Supt. of Police, Bombay City, from 15th June 1945, vice Rao Sahib D. V. Karnik retired.

Mr. G. K. Sant, M.A., B.Sc., to be Asst. Statistician, Finance Dept. (Supply), from 15th June 1945, vice Mr. M. V. Pandit resigned.

Mr. V. M. Joshi, I.C.S., Collector of Panch Mahals, is granted leave for one month and 11 days from 1st August 1945 to 11th September 1945.

Mr. R. S. Halliday, I.C.S., Asst. Remembrancer of Legal Affairs and ex-officio Secretary, Bombay Legislative Assembly, is granted leave for six months ex-India from 5th July 1945.

### Bikaner Leaders Arrested

(From Our Correspondent.)

INDORE, July 10.

According to a telegraphic report received here, the Government of Bikaner has, under the D. I. Rules, arrested Mr. Magharam Vaidya, President, Mr. Champalal Upadhyay, General Secretary and some other members of the Central Executive Council of the Bikaner State People's Conference.

The report further says that a procession was taken out in Bikaner by the State people protesting against the Government action. The procession is reported to have been dispersed by the police resulting in arrests of 11 persons, including Mr. Magharam's son.

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### Revised Prices Of Potatoes

The Government of Bombay has issued orders revising the maximum wholesale and retail selling prices of potatoes. Under the revised Orders, published in the Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary of July 12, the wholesale price (Ex-godown) would be Rs. 6 - per quarter (of 28 lb.), for sale of one quarter and above (including the cost of gunny) and the retail price would be Re. 0-4-0 per lb. for sale of less than one quarter (of 28 lb.) at a time. These prices come into force from July 13, 1945.

### Echo Of Prohibition

Two test cases (Pestonji Fakirji Sidhwa v. the Province of Bombay; and H. P. Narielwalla and Another v. the Province of Bombay) out of 24 cases which have been filed for compensation for deprivation of foreign liquor licences at the time of the introduction of Prohibition in 1939, were adjourned by Mr. Justice Chagla who fixed 30th July, 1945, for hearing them.

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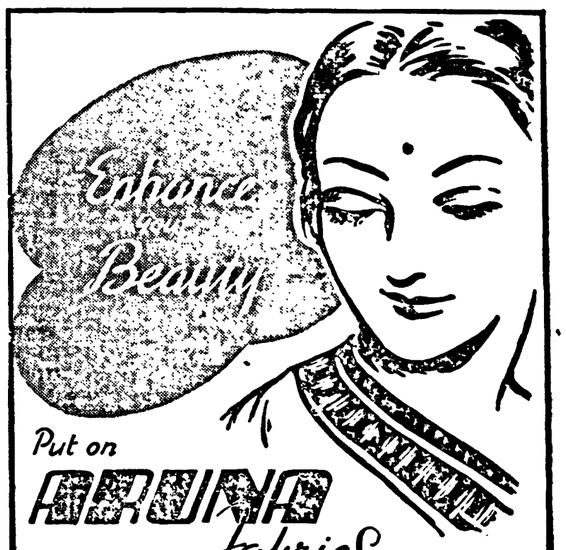


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## Domestic Occurrence

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But the tears that are shed—after years.
And a grief that is silently borne.
Mummy and Dad.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

Sir Homi, Lady Mehta and family thank all their relatives and friends for their kind messages of sympathy in their sad bereavement. Owing to the very large number of letters and telegrams received they regret their inability to acknowledge them individually.

## To-day's Engagements

HEADMASTERS' ASSOCIATION: Annual general meeting to-day at 6-15 p.m. in the Robert Money School, Proctor Road.

ORIENTAL MUSIC CIRCLE: Musical Concert by Bai Laxmibai of Baroda on Saturday, the 14th instant at 10-30 p.m. at the Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall, Sandhurst Road.

CHARITY MORNING SHOW: Shri Ranjit Movietone's "Sant Tulsidas" (in Hindi) in aid of The Chandra Cricketers, Bombay, Sunday July 15, at 9-30 a.m. (N.S.T.) at Kamal Talkies, Sandhurst Road.

RADICAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY: French Revolution Day celebration, public meeting at Cama Oriental Institute Hall, Fort, to-day at 6-30 p.m. Prof. G. D. Parikh will speak.

HARIKIRTAN: Sangeet Visharad B. T. Manjulbuwa of Pandharpur will perform Kirtan Saptah from to-day till the 17th inst. at 9 p.m. in Gaumdevi Mandir.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Jehangir Wadia Bldg. Flora Fountain. Study Class on "Theosophical Adepts" from "Echoes from the Orient" by W. Q. Judge. 6-15 p.m. to-day.

LANGUAGE AND CULTURE: Will be the subject of a public lecture by Mr. P. Kodanda Rao of the Servants of India Society to-day at 6-15 p.m. at Alexandra School Hall, Opp. Queen's Statue, Waudby Road.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No. 14 (Parel) will meet near the Central Vaccination Station, near Old Parel Tram Terminus on Saturday at 8-30 a.m. (S.T.) to go round the ward.

BOMBAY AND SUBURBAN RESTAURANT KEEPERS ASSOCIATION: Mr. M. A. Elchi will attend to the grievances of the Restaurant-keepers at the office of the Association, Umerkhadi, between 11-30 a.m. and 1-30 p.m. Restaurant-keepers are requested to report their grievances.

NATH MADHAV ANNIVERSARY: Under the auspices of the Marathi Literary Mandal, Bombay, the anniversary of the late Nath Madhav, a leading novelist of Maharashtra, will be celebrated to-day at 6-30 p.m. at the Shri Mangal Harishchandralaya (Khetwadi Main Road) when Prof. K. P. Kulkarni, Prof. K. R. Potdar and Mr. Tahmankar, editor the "Nawashakti", will address the gathering.

BOMBAY STUDENTS' UNION: There will be a Public Debate at 6-15 p.m. in Marwari Vidyalaya Hall near Prarthana Samaj.

Subject: "Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's condemnation of the policy of the Communist Party is justified". Speakers: For Mr. M. R. Gaitonde; Mr. S. A. Pandit and Mr. Prem Narayan. Speakers: Against Mr. Arun Bose; Mr. Ismail Meer and Mr. Subrata Sengupta.

CONGESTION OF TELEPHONE EXCHANGE: Mr. A. G. Vere, the General Manager, Telephones, Bombay District, paid visit to the Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, on Wednesday evening. He explained to the members of the Committee the acute congestion on the telephone exchange obtaining to-day and discussed how it could be reduced. To some questions put and suggestions made at the time Mr. Vere made suitable replies the members promising co-operation.

BOMBAY CITY ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE: A function to award Appreciation Certificates to a batch of students who worked as volunteers during the Literacy Week organised by the Committee and to present the 'Merit Shield' to the Aryan Education Society's High School, will be held on Saturday the 14th inst. at 4 p.m. in the Hall of the Aryan Education Society's High School, Girgaum when Sjt. S. K. Patil, M.L.A., will preside and give away the certificates and the Shield.


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12-30 p.m. Songs (M). 12-45 News (M). 12-50 News (G). 12.55 News (E). 1-0 Naaten, Khamsa and Qawwalian 1-30 News (E). 1-40 Music. 2.30 For Women (G). 4-20 School Broadcast. 5-0 P. G. Nimkar (Violin). 5.15 Abdul Rahman and Party. 5-35 Selections from Madhu-Madhu. 5-45 Topical Talk. 5.55 Locals 6-0 Gokuli Bai Kakodkar (Vocal). 6-30 News (E). 6-40 News (H). 6.45 Matters of Moment. 6-50 Bhavgeet. 7.0 On the Marathi stage Talk by S. V. Vartak 7-15 P. G. Nimkar (Violin). 7-30 Vali Mohammad. 7-45 Music from Film. 8-0 V. S. Nasikkar. 8.15 News (M). 8-30 News (G). 8-45 AIR Orchestra. 9-0 News (H). 9-20 News (E). 9-30 B. B. C. News Relay. 9 45 World Affairs. 10-0 Mumtaz Begam. 10-15 Vali Mohammad. 10-30 Gokuli Bai Kakodkar.

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Mr. C. H. Bhabha, a well-known businessman of Bombay, has been appointed a director of the Central Bank of India.

INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER: The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber have appointed the Hon. Sir Rahimtoola M. Chinoy as their representative on the Advisory Board of the Sydenham College of Commerce and Economics for a fresh term of three years.

WAY OUT OF SIMLA DEADLOCK. Under the auspices of the Bombay Committee of the Communist Party of India, a public meeting will be held to-day (Friday), on Delisle Road Maidan at 7 p.m. Com. B. T. Ranadive, will speak on "Simla Deadlock and the Way out".


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### *A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY*

*The crimes of history may be summed up in the words—abuse of power.*

—Robert G. Ingersoll

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## COSTS OF WAR

The other day we published certain figures regarding the cost of World War II, Phase I, up to January 1945, which are as instructive in their implications, as they are impressive in their magnitude. The figures are, indeed, very rough estimates, from which the actuals, if they are ever known, may differ substantially, even if we take no account of the loss of life and human suffering that every war involves. But they have been compiled from reliable information by a competent authority, Mr. Woytinsky, consulting economist of the Bureau of Employment Security, of the Social Security Board, and includes such data as the actual figures of disbursements made by the U. S. Treasury, from May 1940 to May 1945, directly on account of the war. One may take it, therefore, that they would not differ materially when the final count is taken.

The aggregate cost in money of this war, in its first phase, to all the countries is estimated at dol. 730,000 million, of which the cost in the European theatre is reckoned at dol. 560,000 million, plus war damage to property of dol. 110,000 million. Of the total, the U. S. share is given as dol. 270,000 million, or 38%, two-thirds of which was spent in the European theatre. Britain and her Dominions account for about dol. 230,000 million, including losses or damage to property, which is absent in the American account. The aggregate is calculated, by the same authority, to be five times the cost of World War I, in all its phases and theatres, and including loss or damage to property.

By themselves, these figures may not convey to the average reader the full magnitude of the loss humanity has suffered. But if one considers them in terms of the national productive effort, or national wealth, the share of the money cost borne by the United States represents not more than three times,—possibly not more than twice,—the total annual wealth of that country, if her resources were fully mobilised and employed, as in the course and because of this war. For Russia, the cost in money is relatively unimportant, in proportion to her productive capacity, and in view of the heavy damage suffered by her in the initial years of the struggle. Money figures, however, are not applicable in the same sense to the Soviet Union, as they may be in other countries, quite apart from the fact that Russia's real income and true potential is unknown outside that country.

For Britain and Germany,—or Central European countries under the heel of the Nazis,—the picture is wholly different. Britain and her Dominions are estimated to have spent dol. 190,000 million, equal, at the present rate of exchange, to some £45,000 million, or nine times Britain's pre-war annual income from all sources. Separate figures for the Dominions are not given in this estimate. But it would be no injustice to assume that more than two-thirds of this total is Britain's own immediate burden. The figure of £30,000 million given by the Chancellor of the Exchequer the other day in this connection bears out this deduction. But even at that level, it represents an exclusive British burden six times the annual income of the British people; and that in the face of reduced capacity and lost resources, e.g., in shipping and foreign investments. Britain, which was the leading creditor nation of the world before the war, is now heavily indebted to other countries, including our own, which are all genuinely anxious if they would ever be able to realise their assets in Britain.

Britain's capacity to honour her obligations is the more open to question, because of the commitments recently made on account of social security, etc. For whereas Britain's pre-war budget was in the neighbourhood of £1,000 million, without the addition of the war charges on account of interest and pensions, and without any burden on account of social security, her post-war budget will have to be at least double, if the obligations incurred during the War are to be fully and honourably met.

The plight of Germany, and the countries the Nazis had occupied is indescribable. Imagination shudders at the thought of what must happen to them, if orthodox ideas of international economic relations continue to dictate post-war policies. And in this no count is taken of the cost to China, nor of the war since January, 1945. There is no prospect of the war in the Pacific being over immediately, or even by the end of this year. And every day that the war continues the burden on the future generations must continue to grow. This is, of course, no reason why the struggle for freedom and democracy against the forces of reaction should not be fought to a victorious finish. But it is some ground to ponder over the folly of those who bring about such senseless loss of material, not to speak of the loss of life and suffering to rising generations of mankind, which is incalculable in any tangible medium.

## The Frontier Province

The N.-W. Frontier Province, one of the most interesting provinces of India, has, in recent years, leaped into deserved prominence. Many in India and abroad wish to study its past and present history but popular, reliable and up-to-date books on the subject are very rare. One such is the recently published book, "Gold and Guns on the Pathan Frontier" by Mr. Abdul Qaiyum, B.Sc. (Econ), Bar-at-Law, published by Hind Kitabs, Bombay, (Price Rs. 3-12.) The author is one of the leading men of the province and a front rank member of the Central Assembly representing the Congress. In this book he has vividly described the main aspects of the Frontier problem, giving a brief history of the province, its economic background, a brief description of the freedom movement and the part played by some of the leading personalities. "The Pathans", the author justly says, "are a people who wish to be allowed to live in their own way. Gifted with remarkable courage, they are people who literally laugh at dangers, however serious, are born warriors and contribute the finest fighting races in the world. They have no desire to dominate others but will equally never submit to dictation from any quarter". Lack of general education, lack of industries has made the problem of unemployment acute in the country. Fertile lands in various areas are lying fallow mainly due to absence of irrigation and water channels. Although the province is one of the finest fruit-growing orchards the fruit industry has failed to thrive for want of transport facilities, machinery for food canning, preservation as dry fruits etc. Economic and political discontent and several other factors, ably described by the author, have often contributed to the miseries of the Pathan leading often to a spirit of lawlessness prevailing in the country. The solution, the author points out, lies not in conducting military expeditions (as is hitherto being done) to make the people more submissive, but in providing widespread education, avenues of employment and raising the average income of the people.

The chapters describing the freedom movement, the effects of Provincial Autonomy, sidelights on some of the leading personalities of the province and notably the Khan Brothers make most interesting reading. In the chapter on "The Forward Policy at Work" the author strongly criticises the attitude of the Government in carrying on military expeditions on the tribal areas, which have been a source of continuous drain on India's income, and pleads for a more enlightened policy, coupled with a demand for a better form of administration of the areas. Discussing the constitutional problem for India, in the concluding chapter the author stresses the right of self-determination but is equally prepared on behalf of his people to "surrender a part of their sovereignty to a common Centre, for the greater good of all units or sub-nationalities". A post-script reviews the position immediately before and after the fall of the Muslim League Ministry and the Congress resumption of power. Altogether, the book deserves to be read by all those interested in the problem of these brave sons of the Frontier.

## *Frankly Speaking*

### Must Be Published

What is the truth about the "Bhulabhai-Liaquat Ali Pact" which provided for Congress-League parity and under which the Congress right to nominate a Muslim, or as many of them from its quota as it liked, was unquestionably, if implicitly, recognised? After the Pact had been talked about all over the country for some weeks, Mr. Jinnah and Nawabzada Liaquat Ali himself suddenly but simultaneously repudiated its very existence in language which was indignantly, even abusively, categorical. Congress leaders including Mahatma Gandhi himself have, however, been referring to it even after the League leaders' denial. Mr. Abdul Qayum Khan, the Frontier leader, and Deputy Leader of the Congress Party in the Central Assembly goes to the length of asserting that it was more than a verbal understanding and that Mr. Bhulabhai Desai has all the relevant documents in his possession. The Frontier leader suggests that the documents be published. We strongly endorse this suggestion. Such publication has become all the more necessary in view of the stand which League leaders have thought fit to take against the inclusion of any Muslim in the Executive Council, who is not a League nominee.

### British Fleet In Action

The Japs have sprung a sort of surprise in Burma west of the Sittang. They have successfully established bridgeheads—in two widely separated areas from which they are attacking Indo-British forces. This is essentially an effort to rescue their troops trapped in the Pegu hills. Not much importance need be attached to this development because the Japs in Burma are now too weak to be able to turn the tide to any extent. We, however, await more interesting events from areas far to the south. The Japs reported some days ago that a British fleet was out mine-sweeping in the waters north-east of Sumatra. Now they report that it has started an air assault on Sabang. It would be disappointing if the present operations end with a mere air-attack.

### Egypt's Demand

Under the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, the British have reserved the right to maintain troops throughout the country in times of war even though Egypt remained neutral. They had also stipulated that one of the conditions for withdrawing troops from the rest of Egypt was the permanent maintenance of a British garrison in the Suez Canal Zone. The war being over, the British have got to evacuate Egyptian territory except the Suez Canal Zone. A Cairo report states that the Egyptian Government is going to ask Britain to withdraw her troops from the entire territory. We hope this report is true. But if it is, Egypt's demand creates an interesting situation. Of course, there can be no justification in logic or principle for Britain to keep her domination over Suez Canal Zone to the prejudice of Egypt's Sovereignty. As an international highway, Egypt, a member of UNCIO, can be trusted to protect it in the interests of the world as well as in those of her own. Principles, however, do not count with any Imperialism.

### Interesting Situation

But there are certain solid facts which cannot be ignored that make the situation interesting. Syria and the Lebanon have demanded, and have amply proved their determination to win, the full status of independence which includes freedom from French occupying troops, whatever excuse the French may offer for keeping such troops or, for that matter, any semblance of French military domination. This demand has been fully and strongly supported by the Arab League of which Egypt is a member. At the same time Britain is a guarantor and supporter of Levant Independence. Egypt, ready to stand by the demand of Syria and the Lebanon, must naturally wish for the liquidation of her own paradoxical position. And the Arab League cannot but support Egypt. What will the British do who have approved of the stand of the Arab League and Egypt in the matter of the Levant States? The British, however embarrassed, will, of course, say "no". But that may create an important issue between Britain and the Arab League. Will the British defy the Arab League? It is an interesting question.

# *Should Economics Wait On Politics?*

By JAMNADAS DWARKADAS

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In the last article I stated how subsequent to the acceptance by the Government of India of the policy of discriminate protection and of the granting of protection to various industries, the Government of India once more at the dictation of Whitehall, pursued the policy of economic exploitation.

Lord Curzon once characterised the Government of India as a subordinate branch of the British Government. True to this theory, the Secretary of State started the policy of treating India as an instrument for either enriching England or for replenishing the coffers of Britain with a view to overcome the financial difficulty in which Britain has been finding herself from time to time since the close of the last war.

India is an exporting country and the value of the goods exported, overwhelmingly exceeds the value of imported articles. The exchange rate had been manipulated at the close of the last war by the authorities in England on the advice of the financial clique of Lombard Street with a view to reduce the value of our reserves in England and between the periods of 1919 and 1923 we witnessed with folded arms, protesting in vain, now and again, the spectacle of the ratio jumping upto 2 sh. 10 d. a Rupee and again abruptly falling down to 1 sh. 3 d. at the cost of the importing public in India. The jumping up of the ratio had already done great harm to the exporters and when importers finding imports cheap had accumulated large stocks of imported articles, suddenly the ratio dropped down. This policy of the manipulation of the exchange by means of the scandalous sales of reverse councils left the importers aghast with their paper profits dwindling down to enormous losses. Eventually it was felt that the whole question of the exchange ratio should be examined de-novo with the help of a Commission. Thus a Royal Currency Commission was appointed. The only popular member thereof being Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas who showed his charasteristic courage in accepting a seat on the Commission against an ill-advised agitation of a set of people trying to prevent him from doing so. Although the report by the majority recommended the stabilisation of the ratio at 1 sh. 6 d. Sir Purshotamdas in an able dissenting minute forcefully and convincingly argued in favour of 1 sh. 4 d. The dissenting minute of Sir Purshotamdas is a document which will live for ever as one of the most powerful indictments of the financial policy of the Government of India. However, the service rendered by Sir Purshotamdas did not merely rest there. It was entirely due to his persistent efforts that the secret correspondence between the then Finance Member, Sir Basil Blackett and the Secretary of State for India was published and a perusal of that correspondence is sufficient to secure the condemnation of the selfish policy of Britain towards India, expressed by the mouth of the Finance Member and the Secretary of State for India. Then followed a great public agitation. An organisation, called the Currency League was formed in India and I had the good fortune to be its Honorary Secretary. We published pamphlets and organised meetings throughout the country in favour of the popular view. Sir Victor Sassoon was the chairman and the late Mr. F. E. Dinshaw and various other prominent financial magnates were on the committee. There was no doubt left that the people wanted the exchange rate to be stabilised at 1 sh. 4 d. However, after a debate in the Central Legislative Assembly, the Government of India were able to fix the ratio at 1 sh. 6 d. by a snatch majority of 3 votes. Let it be recalled that on the side of the ratio being fixed at 1 sh 4 d were such powerful and popular leaders as the late Pandit Motilal Nehru, the late Mr. Srinavas Iyengar the late Mr. Rangaswami Iyengar and even Mr. Jinnah. The effect of this policy was disastrous as far as the poor population of India was concerned. By a stroke of the pen they reduced the value of her exports by 12 1/2 per cent and made the imports cheaper by the same percentage. In the history of the World, no Government claiming to be the trustees of the people have deliberately ventured or launched on a policy which would spell ruin to the teeming millions of a dependent country.

But this is not all. When in 1931, England went off the Gold Standard by an Ordinance issued overnight, the best financial brains of India demanded that the Rupee should no longer be allowed to hang on to the skirts of a falling Pound but that it should be left to find its own value on the basis of the natural law of supply and demand. Sir George Schuster who had succeeded Sir Basil Blackett as the Finance Member was about to yield to this clamour when Sir Samuel Hoare, the then Secretary of State, issued a 'Hookum' not to yield as he had a backing, according to private advice, of some powerful Indian financial magnates who happened to be in England at the time.

Gold and Silver prices started going up and the Congress decided to advise the ignorant villagers not to part with their gold. A public meeting was held in Bombay under the auspices of the Congress, at Azad Maidan, with Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in the chair. Large crowds greeted Sardar Vallabhbhai's statement that villagers should not part with their gold and none but an unpatriotic Indian would countenance the policy of export of gold. The late Mr. F. E. Dinshaw, the well-known financial genius of India, was present at the meeting, and Mr. A. D. Shroff, now of the Tatas, put up a powerful defence of the policy laid down by the Congress. Unfortunately, however, before the Congress could organise in favour of its policy, its leaders and a large number of its principal workers of all provinces were clapped in jail on the political issue. Then followed the saddest and the most tragic episode of continuous exports of enormous quantities of gold from this country and let me admit it with shame that some of those largely responsible for thus exploiting and impoverishing the village population of India for the purpose of self-gain were Indians who had always professed to be patriotic and who had claimed and even now claim that their objective is to liquidate the poverty of India. Let the people be warned and let them take with caution the questionable claims of persons who have thus betrayed the interests of the nation. I lay special emphasis on this particular aspect because with the probable ceasing of political domination by the British in the Government of India, it is not unlikely that British interests will find in the aforesaid persons, friends and allies who will help them in their nefarious policy of exploiting India.

In my next article I shall endeavour to show how later on, once more the British raised the hydra-headed monster of their policy of exploitation by foisting on India the hated policy of Imperial Preference by the back door.

(To Be Continued.)

### *POINTED PARAGRAPHS*

Wise is the individual who is sensible to his own follies.

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Facts are stubborn things—unless they bump up against a shrewd lawyer.

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Whining women and children are bad enough, but deliver us from whining men!

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A man always thinks that a woman ought to be interested in the things that interest him.

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There are moments in every man's life when he imagines that he is on the verge of insanity.

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After having his leg pulled the average man feels like kicking himself.

### "Khadi For Yarn"

Commenting on Gandhiji's speech at Simla defending the A.-I.S.A. rule demanding yarn for purchases of Khadi, you very rightly observe that "Its success will be much promoted if Khadi workers are not content with reliance on the rule but help in facilitating the supply and sale of Charkhas, cotton slivers, carding bows and also provide facilities for repairing Charkhas."

I am afraid you have assumed that the local A.-I.S.A. Bhandars are not offering any of these facilities to the people of Bombay and merely ask them to "prepare their own slivers and repair their own Charkhas". This is not true. You will please permit me to state that we have in stock some 250 Box Yeravda Charkhas, we prepare 30 Charkhas and some 20 lbs of slivers every day and there is a department at all the Khadi Bhandars looking to Charkha repairs.

We are now in a position to supply slivers sufficient to spin 160 rounds per day to all spinners in Bombay. I do not feel spinning activities in the city suffer for want of the necessary implements. We have also made arrangements to give instructions in carding and spinning to individuals or members of institutions interested in these activities.

PURUSHOTTAM KANJI,
Hon. Secretary,
A.-I.S.A. Bombay-Branch.

# U. S. Action Creates Furore

### No Visa To Australian Communist

CANBERRA, July 12. (Reuter): The United States Government, it was learned here to-day, has held up the issue of visa for the proposed passage through the United States, of the Communist Secretary of the Australian workers union, Mr. Ernest Thornton, on his way to the International Trade Union Conference in Paris in October.

Attempts have been made to get the Australian Federal Government to intervene in Mr. Thornton's behalf but the Government is adhering to the ruling given by the New Prime Minister, Mr. Joseph Chifley, that Mr. Thornton should be given normal facilities available to any Australian citizen and no special consideration.

The "Sydney Sun's" Canberra correspondent said to-day that the grounds for the hold up of visa are understood to be the United States point of view that they have sufficient communist problems of their own.

Mr. Thornton's selection to represent the Australian workers at the forthcoming conference had recently raised a storm in some trade union circles here.

## *De Valera's Interest In India*

LONDON, July 12 (A. P. I.): Mr. Dilip Sen and Mr. Subrata Roy Chowdhury, members of the Cambridge University Majlis—Mr. Sen is its former President—found Mr. De Valera, the Premier of Eire, keenly interested in present day Indian affairs.

Mr. Sen and Mr. Chowdhury have just returned to England from Eire, and they were received by the Premier during their stay in Dublin.

"Mr. De Valera expressed a desire to know more of Indian culture and the present economic situation in India", Mr. Sen told the A. P. I. to-day.

## *Court Causerie*

### *A Fortiori Valid*

By NESTOR

A case came up before Mr. Justice Chagla recently in which a Wakf Deed executed by a Sunni Mahomedan as far back as 1928 was challenged by his heirs as invalid on every conceivable ground. By this Wakf Deed, the settlor had appointed himself the sole mutawalli or trustee and had provided that as long as he lived he was to enjoy the net income of the Wakf properties for his "absolute use". After his death 25 per cent of the gross rents were to be set aside for heavy repairs and out of the balance one-third was to be used for certain "charitable purposes" which included Rs. 300 per year for the poor of the settlor's family and an equal sum every year for "Sayyeds and Fakirs". The balance of the income was directed to be distributed among his descendants "al-aulad" in certain proportions and if there be no descendants in any line, their share of the income was to be used for the charitable purposes mentioned above.

In giving judgment Mr. Justice Chagla observed that it was not open to a person to tie up his property in perpetuity and to give the income of it to his descendants from generation to generation. He then went on to say that the law had made an exception in the case of Mussalmans and that exception was to be found in the Mussalman Wakf Validating Act of 1913, provided the intimate benefit went to charitable objects of a permanent nature. The Judge then split up the Wakf Deed into two and held the gift to charity immediately after the settlor's death valid but the rest of the Deed invalid on the ground that the ultimate gift was not to charitable objects of a permanent nature.

The opinions of a learned Muslim Judge on matters of Islamic law are no doubt entitled to great weight. But, with all respect to Mr. Justice Chagla it seems to us that his decision in this case is erroneous in so far as it says that every Wkaf-al-aulad must give an ultimate benefit to charity in compliance with the Wakf Act if it is not to be vitiated by the law against perpetuities. The Wakf Act is not exhaustive even of Wakfs-al-aulad. Its very preamble shows that it is merely meant to validate such of them as give at least an ultimate benefit to charity. But that does not warrant the inference that every Wakf-al-aulad must confer an ultimate benefit to charity. It may well confer a more immediate benefit to charity as in the case we are considering. Such a Wakf-al-aulad has been held valid by the Privy Council in Mutu Ramanadan's case even in the entire absence of an ultimate benefit to charity. As the Privy Council observed in another case also before the Wakf Act "a substantial dedication of the property to charitable uses at some period of time or other" was all that Mahomedan law required prior to the Wakf Act. To take the view that even such Wakfs are now invalid because of the Wakf Act is to convert a Validating Act into an Invalidating Act. After all the Wakf Act lays down that Wakfs-al-aulad are valid even where the benefit to charity is remote and illusory. To hold that Wakfs which confer a more substantial and a more immediate benefit to charity are void merely because there is no ultimate benefit to charity, however illusory is in our opinion both illogical and wrong under the principles of Mahomedan law. No Wakf which was valid under the law as it stood immediately prior to the Wakf Act, can be held to be invalid because of that Act.

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### *Words And Eggs*

"The worthiest people are the most injured by slander, as we usually find that to be the best fruit which the birds have been pecking at" But the technicalities of law may enable the foulest slanderer to escape its legal consequences. Both in India and in England slander, which may be defined as oral defamation is not actionable in civil courts without proof of damage except in cases of imputations of crime, or of certain diseases or of unfitness for or misconduct in a calling. An interesting case came up recently before the Court of Appeal in England. A lieutenant gave by way of reference the name of a Solicitor in support of his application for a tenancy of the defendant's house. The defendant said, "You have got one from that pimp Hopwood. It is quite worthless. His very calling as a Solicitor makes him write whatever suits his client's best. Damn it he would sue his grandmother for 7sh. 6d"' The Court of Appeal said that in giving reference the Solicitor was not acting in a professional but in a private capacity, and that therefore the words complained of were not actionable without proof of special damage though they were defamatory. The words not having been spoken in the matter of his calling they amounted to slander of him as a man and not in the matter of his profession so as to be within the last exception we have referred to above. We see no justification for importing into India the rule that slander is not actionable without proof of damage which would be a matter difficult of proof and would enable slanderers to escape. Unfortunately, however the rule is applicable in India. Whatever be the legal position our advice to prospective slanderers is

"Words and eggs must be
handled with care
For words once spoken
And eggs once broken
Are the hardest to repair".

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### *The Taking Of Pleas—*

We do not know if there is buried deep in the recesses of some God-forsaken Charter the provision that on the opening day of each Criminal Session of the High Court all the accused persons to be tried in all the cases in that Session must be ranged in a formidable array and pleas taken by the presiding Judge in the presence of the Sheriff and the Chief Presidency Magistrate. It may be a very awe-inspiring tableau, but it seems to us that it is a gross waste of the Court's time to have all the charges read out and interpreted to each of the accused in all the cases on the opening day of each of the five Criminal Sessions of the year with a view to asking them whether they plead guilty to them or claim to be tried. It would be sufficient compliance with section 271 of the Criminal Procedure Code if pleas were taken at the commencement of the trial of each individual case. If this pompous procedure is part of the paraphernalia of a Court of Oyer and Terminer and jail delivery whose jurisdiction our High Court originally inherited under clause 38 of the Letters Patent of 1823, it is high time that steps are taken to do away with it. This antiquated procedure which involves waste of over an hour of the time of the Court as well as of the jurors summoned on the opening day of each of the Criminal Sessions of our High Court.

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### *Vexatious Proceedings*

Experience in our Courts civil as well as criminal has revealed the necessity for enactments corresponding to the Vexatious Indictment Act and the Vexatious Actions Act (now replaced by section 51 of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act of 1925) in England. Enactments of that nature are required in order to prevent innocent persons being harassed in civil as well as criminal courts by chronic litigants who have nothing to lose. On the application of the Advocate-General that a person habitually instituted vexatious legal proceedings without reasonable cause, the High Court should be empowered to order that no legal proceedings could be instituted by that person in future without the leave of the Court or of the Advocate-General on satisfying them that he has a "prima facie" case.

## TETE-A-TETE

### WITHOUT COMMENT—

**LONDON, July 10. (Reuter): The Marquess of Linlithgow, the former Viceroy of India, told the Beckenham Kent Magistrate today that his car was involved in a collision with an army vehicle while descending Anerley Hill.**

**Summons against the driver of army lorry, Private George Joseph Speer of the Royal Army Ordnance Corps, for driving without due care was dismissed....**

**The chauffeur described how their Rolls Royce went into a practically continuous skid on wet cobblestones and turned completely round.**

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According to a London U. P. A. report dated July 11, "India Officials to-day admitted that the outlook was not promising regarding the Simla Conference".

They meant it was promising, didn't they?

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Sit. N. C. Kelkar recommends to Dr. S. P. Mookerjee that he should accept Executive Councillorship, if offered, while keeping his protest against partition alive and kicking".

Does the old man take Dr. Mookerjee for a baby?

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Addressing the Committee of Princes and their Ministers at Bombay, His Highness the Nawab of Bhopal said that "events were moving fast and the States must make up their minds forthwith as to their course".

Can it be hoped that the course will be in the same direction as the fast moving events?

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His Highness went on to say, "India is our motherland..... We yield to none in our patriotism. We are not out asunder by communal and parochial differences."

Suppose Mr Jinnah's attention is drawn to this statement and he sternly demands "clarification" of its meaning and implications?

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But that was not the only provocation offered. His Highness almost began with the statement that the Princes could come to reasonable and honourable terms with "the Government of free India"

This acceptance of the principle of one India and one Government is a direct challenge to the Qaid-e-Azam and deserves severe denunciation by all.

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India, in the opinion of some Indian publicists in America, must play a leading role in world affairs especially as the champion of the colonial peoples of Asia.

Wrong, though. It should be Indias. And the duty must be subject to a solemn promise by Wavell that he would freely and frequently exercise his veto.

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According to Mr. B. Shiva Rao, who was present at San Francisco, the head of the Indian Delegation, Sir A. Ramaswamy Mudaliar did splendid work.

So did the rat—we mean so did Sir Firoz Khan Noon do bright and enlightening work which, however, became too lively.

# Communal Parity—A Vicious Principle

## *Its Introduction In Constitution Would Be Violation Of Guarantee Given Under Queen's Proclamation, Says Council Of Bombay Presidency Social Reform Association*

**The Council of the Bombay Presidency Social Reform Association, of which Sir S. S. Patkar is president, at meeting held on Wednesday, placed on record its emphatic protest against introduction of the virus of the vicious principle of communalism in the constitution of the country as contemplated in the Wavell Plan.**

**The introduction of the principle of "Communal Parity", in the opinion of the Council, would be a violation of the guarantee embodied in Queen Victoria's Proclamation, namely: "Our subjects of whatever race or creed be freely and impartially admitted to office in our service, the duties of which they may be qualified by their education, ability and integrity to discharge."**

**The Council also observes that the new principle will put a premium on caste patriotism and nullify the work of a succession of Indian social reformers who have waged war, since the days of Raja Ram Mohan Roy, against the evil of caste in the Hindu community.**

**The memorandum, which was adopted by the Council, runs as follows:**

The Association places on record its emphatic protest against introducing the principles of communalism in the Central Executive Council and of parity between caste-Hindus and the Muslims therein, contained in the proposal broadcast by H.E. the Viceroy on 14th June 1945. With the object of forming a new Executive Council, "more representative of organised political opinion," His Excellency announced that "the proposed new Council would represent the main communities and would include equal proportions of caste-Hindus and Muslims."

For attaining the same object, the Secretary of State Mr. Amery stated in Parliament that "the Viceroy will be concerned to secure a balance of representation of the main communities, including equal proportion of Muslims and caste-Hindus."

It is difficult to understand why, in order to represent political opinion, the British Government should insist on the selection of the representatives to the Executive Council on the basis of religious and caste divisions and on the introduction of parity between the so-called caste-Hindus and Muslims.

The Association is devoted to social reform activities deriving its principles and traditions from the Indian National Social Conference founded by late Mr. Justice M. G. Ranade. It is not directly concerned with the political aspects of the new policy announced by H. E. the Viceroy and will mainly confine its views on the Wavell-Plan to its social and religious consequences to the detriment of the Hindu community.

### OBJECTIONABLE TERM: "CASTE-HINDUS"

The Viceregal announcement may be viewed in two parts:

(1) It effects complete separation of the so-called Scheduled Castes from the main Hindu community and

(2) After stigmatising the main section of the Hindu community as "Caste-Hindus," institutes artificial parity between this section and the Muslims.

With regard to the Scheduled Castes, the Association may affirm without hesitation that they have been invariably considered as forming part of the Hindu community. As to their social disability created by the evil custom of untouchability, there has been wide and persistent endeavour made by long agitation to eradicate it. The several Temple-entry Bills, the work of the Harijan Sevak Sangh and the Depressed Classes Mission and other institutions, and efforts made for raising the educational and economic level of these classes have borne some fruit. This process of consolidation will be impeded if a bar sinister is officially raised between them and the main Hindu community, in the matter of appointments to the Executive Council. The Association feels that this retrograde step will be in serious conflict with the policy underlying what is known as the Poona Pact, which has received the imprimatur of the British Parliament.

With regard to the second part of the Viceregal announcement the Association believes that it follows as a corollary from the first part. Having decided to detach the Scheduled Castes from the main body of the Hindu community, it was felt necessary to discover some distinctive denomination for it and the expression "Caste Hindus" has been devised both by H. E. the Viceroy and the Secretary of State, without giving any thought to its implications. While strongly objecting to this denomination, the Association is entirely opposed to the underlying conception of permanent cleavage sought to be effected by a rigid and permanent line of demarcation.

### VIOLATION OF QUEEN'S PROCLAMATION' GUARANTEE

The new policy is in direct violation of the sympathetic attitude of the British Government in helping the consolidation of the Indian Nationality since the advent of British rule in this country. To illustrate by one or two instances, the Association may refer to the (1) Caste Disabilities Removal Act (Act XXI of 1850) enacted during the last years of the East India Company. Under Section (1) of this Act, if any person changed his religion or was deprived of his caste, he would not forfeit his rights or property or right of inheritance under any law or usage applicable to his religion or caste. This law enabled the social reformers to loosen the bonds of caste with impunity. (2) When in 1858, the governance of India was transferred to the British Crown, the Queen's Proclamation enjoined the Government of India that

"Our subjects of whatever race or creed be freely and impartially admitted to office in our service, the duties of which they may be qualified by their education, ability and integrity to discharge."

This Royal assurance of Queen Victoria was reiterated by her successors, and the Association is of opinion that any restrictions in the selection to the highest offices under the Crown, viz., to the new Executive Council on the basis of the communal parity would be in conflict with this guarantee. In subsequent years, the British Government lent their aid in improving the status of Hindu women by passing the Widow Marriage Act and the Age of Consent Act, and assisted in the rebellion against the caste system by passing the Special Marriage Act of 1872.

It appears, however, that, with the small beginning of democratic Government made by the Minto-Morley Reforms, this helpful attitude underwent a change. From active support it assumed the form of benevolent neutrality, and the Association feels that, this neutrality is now taking the form of opposition to the process of steady consolidation of the Hindu community.

The Association cannot too strongly protest against the new proposal. Being based on a principle fundamentally wrong, it has no justification, even as an interim arrangement. Once introduced, vested interests will grow round it. It is bound to permeate to the Provincial Ministries and to the several departments of the Administration. Then the communal parity will invade the realm of the Legislatures also. The Body-politic will be thus further infected with the virus of a vicious principle. It has no parallel in any civilised country in the world.

### NULLIFYING WORK OF SOCIAL REFORMERS

The Association is keen on combating this new principle, because it nullifies the work of a succession of social Reformers like Ram Mohan Roy, Ranade and Agarkar who have waged war against the evil of caste in the Hindu community. The Association apprehends that while several movements like the Brahmo, Prarthana and Arya Samajists are working slowly and perseveringly for obliterating caste and religious distinctions, the new policy will impede the process and put a premium on caste patriotism and set in motion forces to stereotype and stabilise the caste-system and religious cliquism.

The Association feels that in announcing his new policy H. E. the Viceroy did not realise fully its evil consequences on the solidarity of the Hindu community and Indian nationhood. His Excellency will be pleased to remember that the British Government have always claimed to be the "moral pioneers" of the world. Their early administration in India was marked by keen consciousness of this mission. But in recent times, there has been a change of policy perhaps, owing to a call for what is called "higher expediency." But the Association humbly submits that what is morally wrong cannot be politically right. There can be no compromise with injustice however pressing the necessity for it may be. The leaders of social reform in India are fully conscious of the need of speeding up their activities for the reform and reconstruction of the Hindu and Indian Society. But progress is bound to be slow. In this process they have a right to call for help from the British Government. But, when, instead of helping, they adopt policies which are bound to hamper the process, it has become the duty of the Association to raise its voice of protest. What India needs today is even-handed justice. But when, in the name of Justice, the British Government yields to the clamour of one section of Indians and does open injustice to a larger section, the Association begs leave to assert that compromise based on injustice is not likely to succeed in the end.

The Association further submits that in the selection of the posts in the highest judicial tribunals in any country not excluding India, no discrimination is made on the ground of caste, community or religion. Assuming, however, that in the appointment to the highest administrative posts, expediency may suggest exercise of patronage or discrimination for carrying on the administration, it is necessary that personalities of the highest character and attainments should be selected from the party leaders, and not from leaders of caste, community and creed.

### GOING BACK ON SPIRIT OF MONTFORD REFORMS

The Association may, in contrast to the new policy of the Viceregal broadcast, lay emphasis on the wise and statesman-like policy enjoined in the following passage from the Montague-Chemsford Report on the reforms of 1919:—

"Indian lovers of the country would be the first to admit that India generally has not acquired the citizen spirit, and if we are really to lead her to self-government, we must do all we can to call it forth in her people. Division by creeds and classes means the creation of political camps organised against each other, and teaches men to think as partisans and not as citizens, and it is difficult to see how the change from the system to national representation is ever to occur. The British Government is often accused of dividing them in order to rule them. But if it unnecessarily divides them at the very moment when it professes to start them on the road to self-government, it will find it difficult to meet the charge of being hypocritical or shortsighted."

In conclusion, the Association fervently hopes that the Wavell-plan will be carried out in the best interests of the country by the Soldier-Viceroy with determination and courage in accordance with strict principles of truth, justice, equity and good conscience without undue regard to consideration of expediency.

# Civic Council Suspended

JERUSALEM July 12 (Reuter): A temporary commission of five British Government officials has been appointed to maintain the essential municipal services here after an official announcement that the Municipal Council is deemed as having ceased to exist.

In a letter to the Councillors informing them of the Government step, the District Commissioner Mr. J. H. H. Pollock referred to the proposal made by the High Commissioner Lord Gort in March that the Mayoralty should be held in rotation by a Moslem, a Jew and a Christian, which was not accepted by the Moslems and the Jews.

Mr. Pollock's letter added, "It is a matter for deep regret that the people of Jerusalem have been unable to demonstrate their political maturity by finding a solution for their difficulties amongst themselves, and have so forced on the city a form of administration by a commission, the adoption of which is certainly not welcomed by Government".

# *LEAGUE WORKING COMMITTEE MEETS*

SIMLA, July 12 (A.P.I.): The Muslim League Working Committee met at 11-15 a.m. to-day, Mr. M. A. Jinnah presiding.

It is understood that the Committee took up consideration of questions relating to the Provinces.

The meeting was adjourned at 1 p.m.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan, General Secretary of the Muslim League, told the 'Associated Press' that the Committee discussed internal affairs of the League to-day.

No further meeting of the Committee had yet been fixed, but the members are staying in Simla.

The Premiers of Sind and Assam attended to-day's meeting by special invitation.

# TWO MINISTERS FACE DEFEAT

## "Little" Election May Upset Churchill's Apple Cart: Tory Confidence Wanes

LONDON, July 12. (Reuter): Twenty-two Parliamentary constituencies in north England and Scotland, where the polling day was postponed owing to local mass holidays went to vote today. The high percentage of people who voted during the morning and afternoon shows that these constituencies are well aware that they may decide Britain's future Government.

The political correspondent of the Liberal newspaper, "Manchester Guardian", says: "To-day's polling might have a deciding influence on the nature of the next Government. Tory confidence in what July 26 (when the results are declared) will bring is far from what it was."

Two Ministers of the "Caretaker" Government are involved in today's polling—the Home Secretary, Sir Donald Somervell and Minister for Aircraft Production, Mr. Ernest Brown.

Both the Ministers, who have a straight fight with Labour candidates, may lose their seats. The Home Secretary only had a 1,000 majority in 1935 and in this election the Labour candidate has been receiving support from the Liberals.

While the Conservatives have been making no forecasts about the outcome of this "little" election, Labour leader and former Home Minister, Mr. Herbert Morrison, today stated that "Scotland's swing to Labour will be outstanding. The results will be surprising."

The Labour Party Treasurer, Mr. Arthur Greenwood, shared this optimism, saying in a statement to the Conservative newspaper, "Evening Standard": "We have done so well that it is almost too good to be true. I can hardly believe it."

Two other constituencies will go to the polls on July 19 and the results will be declared on July 26.

# LEAGUE BLOCKS PROGRESS AT SIMLA

(Continued from page 1)

Pandit Govind Vallabh Pant, arrived at the Viceregal Lodge at 3 p.m.

Immediately after his one hour's interview with the Viceroy, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Congress President accompanied by Pandit Govind Vallabh Pant, drove to Manor Ville to meet Mahatma Gandhi and acquaint him with the result of the discussions.

The Congress Working Committee met at Manor Ville at 4-30 p.m. All the members were present.

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad explained to the Working Committee what transpired at the interview with the Viceroy this afternoon.

Accosted by pressmen as he came out of the meeting of the Congress Working Committee, Maulana Azad said:

"Just one step more and we will reach our destination." In reply to another question Maulana Azad said: "I met the Viceroy and placed before him my views. What transpired between him and me has also been placed before the Working Committee. Everything is confidential and I cannot tell you anything more than that we are meeting again tomorrow afternoon."

### VIRTUAL FAILURE

The political depression caused by last night's news of the Muslim League's refusal to join the new National Government unless the Muslim League's claim to nominate all the Muslim members of the new Government was conceded, further accentuated today, says the political correspondent of the Associated Press of India. The Wavell-Azad meeting this afternoon has not produced the miracle.

On the contrary the impression gathered in talks with Congress leaders this evening, after the meeting of the Congress Working Committee, is that the conference has virtually ended without achieving its object.

The various parties participating in the conference are now awaiting Lord Wavell's final announcement on Saturday. While Lord Wavell has not told either Mahatma Gandhi or Maulana Abul Kalam Azad what his final plans are, Congress leaders anticipate from the trend of their discussions with the Viceroy, that he will announce the end of the conference on Saturday.

Lord Wavell, it is gathered, merely told the Congress President to-day that the Muslim League President had rejected his offer of four seats for the Muslim League in the new Executive Council, but did not indicate any possibility of going ahead with the formation of a new Government as envisaged in the Wavell Plan in the absence of support from the Muslim League.

The absence of any positive suggestion during the Wavell-Azad talks this afternoon is taken to mean by Congress leaders as His Majesty's Government's unwillingness to proceed with the Wavell Plan without support from the Muslim League.

Congress circles are very pessimistic. "You will know the result on 14th July when Lord Wavell makes his announcement", said a prominent Congress leader. This is interpreted to mean that Congress leaders do not entertain any hope regarding further progress of the conference and consequent implementation of the Wavell Plan.

Lord Wavell, according to Congress circles, is expected to make a statement on 14th July to the conference when it reassembles. This statement is expected finally to indicate whether he wishes to wind up the conference or adjourn it "sine die".

## *MAHATMA ON NEED TO IMPLEMENT PLAN*

SIMLA, July 12 (U.P.I.)—Great significance is attached to the meeting between the Viceroy and Gandhiji who abstained from the deliberations of the Conference as it was agreed that he should act as an adviser. In this connection the remark of the Congress President who was closeted with Gandhiji after his meeting with the Viceroy that destination has further receded is also important. Equally so was the remark made by another prominent Congress member that the Simla weather is treacherous.

Asked whether in view of the Muslim League decision not to submit a panel of names for the proposed Executive Council they are going to attend the Leaders' Conference on July 14, a prominent League delegate told: "We are here to carry on farce. But this cloudy atmosphere is not without a silver lining for Congress circles."

An important member of the Congress Working Committee said that the Congress had never considered the possibility of the break-down of the Simla Conference. Abstention of the League could not alter that position.

Talks in Congress circles this morning indicate that Lord Wavell's summoning of Mahatma Gandhi yesterday was for the purpose of seeking his advice on the situation as it has emerged, writes the political correspondent of the 'Associated Press of India.'

It is learnt that during the interview the Viceroy did not give any indication of his own mind or the mind of His Majesty's Government, excepting the information that the League was not willing to join the Government. The Viceroy did not, it is learnt, make any comment or suggestion on the panel of names submitted by the Congress.

Mahatma Gandhi is understood to have emphasised the need for implementing the Wavell Plan and suggested to the Viceroy that he might also consult the Congress President.

The feeling is gaining ground in the Congress camp that when the Conference reassembles on Saturday next, Lord Wavell will place his list of names before the Conference and then announce an adjournment of the Conference for a short while, to enable the various parties and the country as a whole to express their opinion on the new proposed Government.

**Such an adjournment, it is pointed out, will also coincide with the announcement of the British election results and the new British Government will be thus enabled to give its considered advice to the Viceroy as to whether he should go ahead with the implementation of the Wavell Plan in the absence of support from the Muslim League or drop it.**

The Viceroy continued his consultation with party leaders today. The first to be called was Malik Khizar Hyat Khan, Premier of the Punjab, who was with the Viceroy for about one hour before lunch. The Congress President met the Viceroy at 3 p.m.

## *Congress Position Explained*

(From Our Correspondent).

SIMLA, July 12.—Asked if no Nationalist Muslim was taken or only Hindu Congress nominees were included in Lord Wavell's list what would be the attitude of Congress Maulana Azad told me: "I would rather put this question in my own way and would answer it in this way: "If something is imposed on the Congress which shows that the Congress is a Hindu body and represents Hindus alone, then that Congress will not accept that position at any cost."

# *STAGE SET FOR BIG BATTLE IN SHEN HILLS PLATEAU*

## *Allied Bombing Of Jap Main Island And Shipping Continues*

ADV. H.Q., ALFSEA, July 12 (A.P.I.)—The rapid flow of supplies into Eastern Burma from Singapore through the Bangkok-Moulmein line and from French Indo-China through branch lines indicates that the Japanese may be setting the stage for a big battle in the Shan Hills Plateau, writes Narinder Sethi, A.P.I. War Correspondent.

### REINFORCEMENTS FROM MOULMEIN

The Japanese already have a few Divisions in Eastern Burma and will probably be able to organise another Division when their forces, trapped in the Pegu Yomas, have pulled out. Besides, they could count on reinforcements moving from Moulmein northward. In Moulmein, the Japanese seem to have a large force.

Meanwhile, air command bombers are strafing the triangular railway line connecting Bangkok with Moulmein in north-west and Indo-China in north-east.

### BATTLE FOR SITTANG BRIDGEHEAD

WITH THE BRITISH IN BURMA, July 12 (A.P.I.)—The initiative is coming back to the Allied troops fighting around the Sittang bridgehead where monsoon conditions are slowing the tempo of the battle, says Doon Campbell, A.P.I. correspondent.

British patrols are active all the time thrusting forward and into the Japanese perimeter. The Japanese have very few support weapons this side of the river, but big guns emplaced on the east bank are still banging in support of infantry.

The Japanese appeared to be behind Le Eimzu, three miles northwest of Myitko. 150 Japanese pulled out of the villages as soon as this back-door threat developed.

### JAPS ABANDONING S. KIANGSI PROVINCE

CHUNGKING, July 11 (U.P.A.)—Chinese have recaptured the former American air base at Sinchang, Kiangsi Province, and have driven a deep wedge eastwards into the so-called trans-continental corridor which links Japan's great south China base in Canton with her central China base at Kankow. Chinese sources reported today. There were increasing indications that the Japanese were abandoning the entire salient of south Kiangsi province. Military observers were hailing the simultaneous Chinese drive towards Kweilin as giving increasing evidence that the Japanese are about to withdraw from their corridor connecting Japanese forces in south China with an estimated 200,000 Japanese troops still in Indo-China, Malaya, Thailand and Burma.

### BOMBING OF JAP MAIN ISLAND

GUAM, July 12 (Reuter).—Bombs were thrown up again and one of the heaviest warplanes in the world was flipped over on to its back by waves of hot air rising in the raid on Wakayama on Honshu, Japan's main island, on Tuesday, according to the members of a 'Superfortress' crew who took part.

The bomber dropped incendiaries but the bombs were carried back into the Bomb Bay and tore off the doors.

After passing the target, the 'Superfortress' suddenly flipped over in a half loop.

The topsy-turvey incident lasted only about 30 seconds.

### ATTENTION SWITCHED FROM TOKYO AREA TO KYUSHU

LONDON, July 12 (Reuter).—The American battering of Japan's home islands continues, but attention was switched today from Honshu and Tokyo area to Japan's southernmost home island of Kyushu, says Reuter's special correspondent at Guam.

No further information regarding the latest mass carrier-plane attack on airfields around the Japanese capital was available early today at Admiral Nimitz Headquarters, but previous reports from Okinawa that 200 American planes had attacked airfields on Kyushu were confirmed.

A Reuter despatch from San Francisco reported that "suicide plane" bases were among these targets. American planes, it was added at Admiral Nimitz's Headquarters, have renewed their attacks on Japanese shipping. Yesterday Naval aircraft set three Japanese cargo ships on fire off the China coast and marine aircraft raided the northern Ryukyus on the previous day. Marine Mitchells also damaged with rockets a number of Japanese ships south of Honshu.

In Borneo, Australians of the Seventh Division attacking a Japanese resistance pocket at Mount Batochampar, six miles north-east of Balik Papan pushed a deep wedge into the Japanese lines, it was stated at General MacArthur's Headquarters today. They reached a point, half a mile from the hill after repulsing a counter-attack south of it.

After a naval and air bombardment, other Australians broke through the first line of Japanese defences beyond captured Manggar on the coast road to the north-east leading to the Sambodja oilfields and reached a point about one and a half miles north-east of Manggar airstrip.

Heavy bombers renewed their attacks on the Formosa airfields, while search planes started four large fires on Hoko island in Pescadores. General MacArthur's 'communique' announced. Allied bombers also maintained day and night attacks on enemy airfields in Celebes and eastern Java.

### COMMONWEALTH AND EMPIRE CASUALTIES

LONDON, July 12 (Reuter).—British Commonwealth and Empire forces from September 3, 1939, to May 31, 1945, suffered total casualties amounting not less than 1,427,634, it is announced tonight.

Of these, 532,033 were killed or died of wounds or injuries or are missing believed killed.

(In the war of 1914-18, British Empire casualties totalled 3,490,907 of whom 1,089,919 were killed.)

### INDIA'S CASUALTIES

India's combat casualties for 5-3/4 years of this war were as follows: Killed (including died of wounds or injuries) 23,295, missing 12,264 wounded 62,064, prisoners of war 79,692, total 177,315.

Totals for other parts of the Empire were: United Kingdom 750,338, Canada 101,008, Australia 92,211, New Zealand 39,783, South Africa 36,765, Colonies 36,376.

### NINE VILLAGES CLEARED OF ENEMY

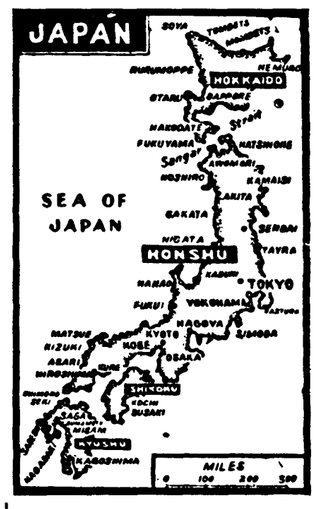
ADV. H.Q., ALFSEA, July 12 (A.P.I.)—In heavy rain, the Japanese are digging at several points in the Sittang river bend between Nyaungkashe, 25 miles east north-east of Pegu, and Myitkyo, terminus of the Pegu-Sittang canal, ten miles to the north, says today's S.E.A.C. 'communique.'

Nyaungkashe has now been occupied by the enemy.

Our artillery engaged concentrations of Japanese 16 miles south south-west of Toungoo.

Three villages in the area ten miles west of Henzada, and six villages in the area 18 miles south-east of Tharrawaddy have been reported clear of enemy.

Mosquitos on July 10 attacked enemy positions east of Mokpalin and south-east of Pa-an (north of Moulmein). Spitfires sank two rivercraft in the Mokpalin area and strafed motor transport and huts.




# *GAZDAR'S OFFICE AND RESIDENCE RAIDED BY POLICE*

## *A Number Of Account Books Seized*

KARACHI, July 12, (A. P. I.): The residence and office of Mr. M. H. Gazdar former Home Minister in Sind, were raided to-day by the Special Police.

The raid was carried out by a special police officer appointed by the Government of India who was accompanied by a posse of policemen.

A number of account books are said to have been seized from the two places.

Mr. Gazdar is at present in Simla where he went in company with members of the League Working Committee although he himself is not a member of the Committee.

It is learnt that Mr. Gazdar is returning immediately to Karachi.

## Pandemonium At Karachi Meeting

KARACHI, July 12, (A. P. I.): Pandemonium prevailed at a public meeting held last night under the auspices of the Baluch National Party to celebrate the Azad week. Mr. Ali Mohamed Barkzai presided.

When a resolution expressing confidence in the leadership of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad was moved, a section from the audience came up on the stage and wanted to oppose the resolution. This led to trouble and the police soon arrived, dispersed the meeting and restored order.

# "BEVERIDGE PLAN" FOR FRANCE

## Far Reaching Reform In Social Insurance System Suggested

PARIS, July 12. (Reuter): A "Beveridge Plan" for French workers was announced to-day by the Minister of Labour, M. Alexandre Parodi, in a far-reaching scheme for a reform of the social insurance system, says Reuter's special correspondent.

The scheme provides for insurance of all wage earners and salaried officials earning up to 120,000 francs (£6,000) yearly.

The insurance will cover pension amounting to 40 per cent of the average salary over the past 10 years at the age of 65 or 20 per cent of the average salary during the past 10 years at 60.

If illhealth necessitates retirement at 60, the pension would be the same as at the age of 65. In any case, persons retiring at 60 get 40 per cent on becoming 65.

The health insurance is to cover long and serious illnesses such as tuberculosis.

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# SHOW WORLD

Greer Garson and Walter Pidgeon, the popular team in "Mrs. Parkington"

Sonny Tufts and Veronica Lake in "Bring On The Girls"

Gregory Peck and Jane Ball in 20th Century Fox's Forthcoming "Keys of the Kingdom"

## BETTE DAVIS SPARKLES IN NARCISSUS ROLE

in

"MR. SKEFFINGTON"

at

**The Excelsior: 1st Run.**
**Stars: Bette Davis, Claude Raines, Walter Abel.**
**Director: Vincent Sherman.**

In this picture, Bette Davis plays the part of a supremely selfish woman who thinks only of herself, her beauty and the number of beaux she can have to her string. Even after her marriage to Skeffington, a wealthy Jew, she continues to trip gaily along her lover-paved path of romance. Her self-effacing husband, whose affection for her is deep and sincere, waits patiently in the background while she carries on her flirtations.

However, her colossal vanity and astounding egoism, render her incapable of permitting her husband a fraction of the latitude she permits herself. The sight of him taking his woman secretary out to a night-club whereto she has herself repaired with her latest lover, is enough grounds for her to sue Skeffington for a divorce. As loving and magnanimous as ever, he makes her a handsome settlement and leaves for the Continent with their young daughter.

Mrs. Skeffington revels in her wealth and her freedom. Her beauty remains unchanged with the passing years. Men of the world and callow youths kneel at her feet. Her daughter, now grown up, returns to find the mother indulging in an amorous affair with a young man fit to be her son. When the boy and the girl meet, youth quickly responds to youth, and Mrs. Skeffington feels left out in the cold. An outing in a yacht during a thunderstorm, brings on a serious ailment. Time, pushed back thus far, at last lays its hand indelibly on the proud beauty of other days. Her world crumbles; her lovers desert her. Her husband's memory, and the wrong she had done him, haunts her. Her daughter marries and leaves her. She finds herself alone with but one friend from the past.

At a dinner to which the lonely and aging woman invites her old lovers, she discovers that most of them are now family men no longer in the vigour and bloom of their youth. At last Skeffington returns, old and crippled and poor—the victim of a Nazi concentration camp for Jews. The one faithful friend she has, persuades her to do her one good deed—take back the husband who had been such a faithful Spaniel. Her loveliness vanishes. Joy returns to her heart. Beauty radiates from her wrinkled face—the beauty that happiness imparts. At last she realises the truth of what Skeffington had often told her in the days of her physical loveliness: "A woman is never more beautiful than when she is loved."

In the role of Mrs. Skeffington, Bette Davis scores a distinct triumph. Her superb interpretation of an unsympathetic character enables her to overcome the handicap of playing a great beauty without being one herself. Claude Raines, as the patient husband, gives a wonderfully restrained performance. Walter Abel lends sincerity to his part of the sincere friend.

This film promises to win great popularity.

## LOW BROW COMEDY

at

*The Regal*

**"Here Come the Co-Eds" (Universal).**
**Stars: Abbott and Costello.**

Those who like the Abbott-Costello brand of fun, will revel in their latest crazy adventures in an exclusive girls' college, which they enter under false pretences—in the guise of assistants to a caretaker played by the villainous Lon Chaney. Imbued with the 'get-rich-quick' idea, they devise all manner of schemes to achieve that end, as for instance, a riotous women's basket-ball match and a comical wrestling bout between Costello and Chaney.

The film boasts of an All Girl Orchestra under the direction of Phil Spitalny. Peggy Ryan, Jane Vincent and Richard Lane give a good account of themselves in this crazy comedy.

## TECHNICOLOUR MUSICAL

at

*The Eros*

**"Bring On The Girls" (Paramount).**
**Stars: Sony Tufts, Veronica Lake.**

Several songs, clever dance numbers and a bevy of beautiful girls enliven this musical comedy.

A young millionaire (Eddie Bracken) joins the Navy in a burst of patriotism. His friend (Tufts) follows suit so as to be able to keep a watchful eye on his pal. The millionaire falls for a cigarette girl (Veronica Lake) in a night club. His friend, attempting to intervene and break up the affair, picks the wrong girl, a singer (Marjorie Reynolds), for his victim. After many rollicking situations, things are straightened out and each sailor gets a bride.

A new comer, Johnny Coy, gives a clever exhibition of his tap-dancing skill. Sony Tufts sings two songs in his own inimitable way. This is a bright picture.

## COSTUME FANTASY

at

*The Strand: 1st Run*

**"Fiddlers Three" (Ealing Studios).**
**Stars: Frances Day, Tomming Trinder.**
**Director: Harry Watt.**

This is a light and frothy fantasy. All the stars frolic gaily through it, looking most unlike the Romans of yore. But then one must remember that this is a skit on that great race. Francis L. Sullivan makes a humorously impressive Romeo. The rest of the players are appropriately ludicrous. The songs in the film are of poor quality—which is rather a pity, considering that, if given a good melody, the revue star Frances Day can always be relied upon to put it over with effect.

If you appreciate hilarity, this is the right film to tickle your funny bone.

## SUNDAY MORNING SHOWS

STRAND—10-30 a.m.: "Fantasia"—Walt Disney's feature-length musical cartoon.
EROS—10 a.m.: "Street of Chance"—Burgess Meredith, Claire Trevor.
REGAL—10-30 a.m.: "The Imposter"—Jean Gabin, Ellen Drew.
AURORA—10-30 a.m.: "The Forest Rangers"—Fred MacMurray, Susan Hayward.
PALACE—10-30 a.m.: "The Hunchback of Notre Dame"—Charles Laughton.
PARADISE—10-30 a.m.: "Honky Tonk"—Clark Gable, Lana Turner.
METRO—10 a.m.: "The Cross of Lorraine"—Jean Pierre Aumant.

## REPEAT AND RETURN PICTURES

*New Empire: 3rd Run*

**"The Three Caballeros".**

This is a Walt Disney Cartoon in which, for the first time, he has brought together live and animated characters.

*Metro: 2nd Run*

**"Mrs. Parkington" (M.G.M.)**
**Stars: Greer Garson, Walter Pidgeon.**
**Director: Tay Garnett.**

Here is yet another starring vehicle to exploit the popularity of the Garson-Pidgeon team. Pidgeon as a dashing, hotblooded and self-styled Major, cuts a fine figure. Greer Garson fails to be convincing.

*Palace (Byculla)*

*"Gaslight" (M. G. M.)*

**Stars: Boyer, Bergman.**

This is the screen adaptation of Patrick Hamilton's famous thriller dealing with the attempts of a psychopathic criminal to drive his wife insane.

*Aurora (Matunga)*

**"The Big Noise" (20th Century).**

For those who enjoy the antics of the Laurel and Hardy pair, this will be a welcome return of one of their hits.

# Leader Of Iraq Revolt To Be Hanged

## Regent On Visit To London: Says, Arabs Are Not Prepared To Make Further Concessions To Jews

LONDON, July 12. (Reuter): The Regent of Iraq, Emir Abdullah who is visiting London today told "Reuter": "The leader of the Iraq revolt of 1941, Rashid Ali, will be hanged without further ceremony as soon as he is handed over to Iraq authorities"

Referring to the report that Rashid Ali is now in French hands, Emir Abdullah Said: "Rashid Ali's fate is sealed. He has not made use of the six months time limit to return to his country and stand his trial. He has now been sentenced to death in his absence."

**NO FURTHER CONCESSIONS TO JEWS**

Asked what will be the attitude of his Government to the forthcoming request by the Zionist Conference in London for emergency allocation of

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100,000 additional certificates for Jews to enter Palestine, the Regent replied: "The position of all Arab States is that they would oppose this demand as being contrary to the White Paper to which they agreed. The Arabs are not prepared to make any further concessions".

On the other hand, the Regent was optimistic about the general outlook in the Middle East. He thought, the French decision to hand over "Troupes Speciales" to the Syrian authorities would pave the way to an early settlement" provided certain French elements concerned remained calm and were not unnecessarily hot-headed".

He said that changes in the Anglo-Iraq treaty were being discussed by the public in Iraq and would also be discussed with the British Government during his presence in London.

Changes would be suggested to bring the treaty into accord with the new conditions now prevailing Iraq wants an alliance with Britain but certain clauses of the old treaty have to be changed. Emir Abdullah preferred not to be more specific at this stage of the negotiations.

**OIL SITUATION**

The Regent did not think that the forthcoming visit to London of the United States Petroleum Administrator Mr. Harold Ickes had any bearing on the oil situation in Iraq. American agreement with Saudi Arabia was unlikely to concern Iraq as the Planned pipe lines from the Persian Gulf to the Mediterranean would not touch Iraqi territory. On the other hand, effort was being made by the Iraqi mission in London to get material released for the construction of parallel pipe lines to those already existing. This would almost double the output of Iraq oil which would greatly benefit Iraq.

On the whole, the Regent thought that a healthy economy over the whole Middle East would be the best basis for its peaceful future.

## HARDSHIPS OF BHOR SUBJECTS

BHOR, (By Mail)

The authorities have suspended purchase of rice and it is now difficult for the subjects to get rice.

Similar is the case with kerosene oil. The quota allotted at some places is very meagre. In some cases although people held regular permits they are not allowed to sell kerosene oil.

The public have to walk a long distance to get their kerosene quota. In short the public are suffering great inconvenience and difficulties.

## Chicago Grains Market Irregular

CHICAGO, July 11.—Chicago grains were irregular reflecting the highly mixed character of the official crop estimate. Despite the prospects of the largest harvest for twenty-five years, Oats were aided by a predicted jump in maize production while wheat was depressed by the record breaking production forecast and a belated sharp reaction in rye.

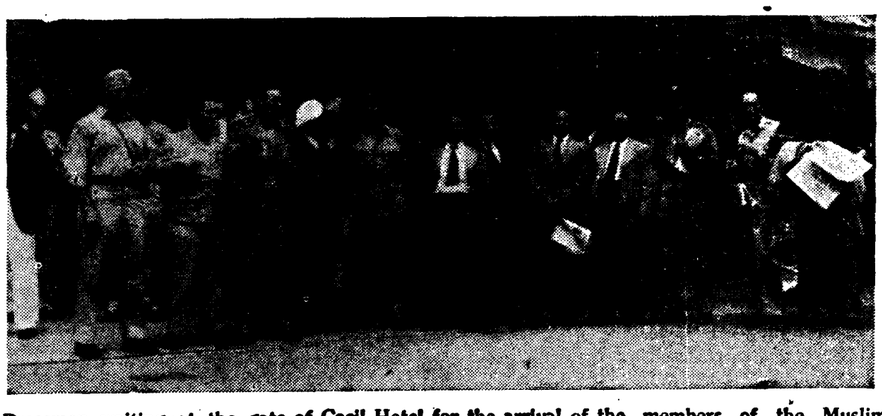
July 1.66-1/8 to 1.66 (1.66-1/8 to 1.66-1/8), September 1.63-1/8 to 1.63 (1.63-7/8 to 1.63-3/4), December 1.63-1/4 to 1.63-1/8 (1.64-1/4 to 1.64-1/4).

## "Habeas Corpus" Petitions Of Bose's Nephews Dismissed

LAHORE, July 12. (U.P.I.): The 'Habeas Corpus' petitions filed on behalf of Dr. Dwijendra Bose and Mr. Arobinda Bose, nephews of Mr. Subbas Chandra Bose, security prisoners in Campbellpur Jail, were dismissed to-day by Mr. Justice Din Mohammad of the Lahore High Court, who held that the order dated March 28, 1942 for the detention of Mr. Dwijendra Bose existed as it was recited in subsequent renewed orders, and that a similar order of that date served on Mr. Arobinda Bose.

The Court accepted the contention of the Crown Counsel that copy of the order served on Mr. Dwijendra Bose had been mislaid. The right of representation accorded to the detenus by Sec. 7 of the Ordinance did not carry with it the right to seek legal assistance.

The allegation of the detenus was that their representations sent to Mr. Satish Bose, Bar-at-Law, Dwijendra's father, for legal advice was withheld by the Punjab C. I. D. Authorities.



Pressmen waiting at the gate of Cecil Hotel for the arrival of the members of the Muslim League Working Committee

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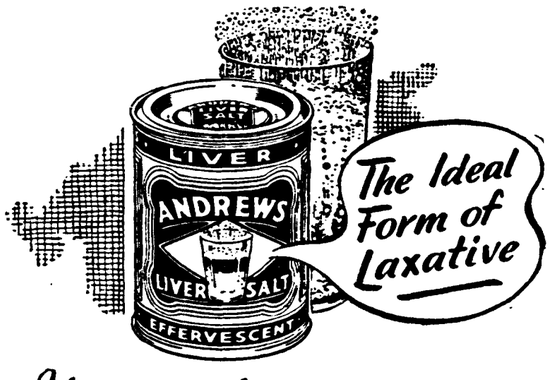


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# Tramway Shares Look Up On Active Buying

## SILVER DECLINES ON PROFESSIONAL SELLING ON LOWER CALCUTTA QUOTATIONS

## Cotton Rules Dull And Seeds Quiet On Realising

BOMBAY, July 12.

The further increase in the notes in circulation failed to attract any important buying as the bullion market was dull and there was more disposition to await Simla developments. However there was moderate selective buying. Bombay Tram shares which proved a feature of the day gained Rs. 5/-, Tata Steels Dfds. improved Rs. 4/- and Ordinary Rs. 3/8 Mills were steady. Bombay Dyeings advanced Rs. 6/- Kohinoors Rs. 5/- and Gokak Rs. 7/8. Dena Bank Shares improved Rs. 2/- at Rs. 69/-.

Cotton market was dull with very little fresh business. Produce Quotations reacted on realising after the recent spurt.

Bullion market was quiet. There was increased selling in silver from professional operators as Calcutta quotation was lower.

The Share Bazar was fairly steady with a moderate support. Tram shares moved up to Rs. 150. Trading was of a mixed character. Tata Steel Deds opened at Rs. 2240 and improved to Rs. 2242 and later sagged to Rs. 2237. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 415 and improved to Rs. 416. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1916 and improved to Rs. 1920 but reacted to Rs. 1918. Kohinoor Mill shares were steady at Rs. 612.

### MILL SHARES

Bombay Dyeing 1922/8, Century 903/12, Nagpur 380, Swadeshi 535, New Great 382.8, Simplex 287/8, Kohinoor 615, Colaba 223, Gokak 310, Phoenix 620, Mysore 280, Indian Bleaching 164, Swan 316, Finlay 295, Morarjee 733/12, Indore 708/12, Edward Sassoon 632/8.

STEEL SHARES.

Tata Steel Ord. 417/8, Tata Steel Defd. 2237/8.

ELECTRIC.

Tata Hydro 205, Andhra 1802/8, Tata Power 1880, Tram Ord. 147.

CEMENT

Associated Merger 212

INDUSTRIES.

Burma 520, Alcock 407/8, Bellapur 221, Shivrajpur 49, Steamer Ord. 622/8, Scindia 37/10, Premier Construction 216

CASH SECTION.

MILLS: Apollo 3/15/6, Elphinstone 83, E. U. Ord. 14/5 Defds. 2/14/9, Indian Mfg. 3895, Kurla 231/4, Khatau 333/12, Dawn 1080, New City 355, Minerva 282/8, Bradbury 310, Bharucha Dfds 8, Bharat 62, Madhavji 16, Model 260, Laxmi Cotton 1376, Vishnu Cotton 492/8, Western 3410, Sholapur 6975, Sassoon Cotton 20/10, Hindustan 3610, Meyer Sassoon 191/4, Tata Mills 66, Ahd. Advance 400, Sassoon Silk 78/8, New Union 22/8, Poddar 326/4, Madhusudan 435, New 83, Shri Nivas 365, Raja Bahadur Poona 126/4, Berar 310.

ELECTRIC.

Ahmedabad 250/2, Surat 236, Surat New Premium 112/8, Karachi 235/10, Ajmer 14/14, Amalgamated 18/2, Jalgaon 11/2, Nagpur 48, Bombay Suburban 214/6, New Premium 100.

BANKS.

Reserve 142/4, Imperial 2182/8, P P 542/8, Central 88, India 198, Union 8/14/6, Baroda 151/8, Habib 82, International 53, A. B. C. 35/12, Dena Bank 67, United 77/4, Jaipur 67/8 Hindustan 54, National Savings F P. 70/4, P. P 39/8, Mysore 380, Exchange 60

INSURANCE.

Oriental 6600, Empire 1275, New India 82/4, Jupiter 30/2, Vulcan 17/10, Indian Mercantile 69, Universal 15/10, Vasant 25, Br. I. Gen. 23/10, Bombay Life 875, Ind. Prud 55.

RAILWAYS.

Ahd Prantij 725, C. P. 107/12, Mymensing Reb. 111/8, Gustad 115, Mandra Bhon 110/8, Sara Serajganj 112/8, Sialkot 117, New 54, Upper Sindh 124, Dhond Baramati 120, Pachora 98, Hoshiarpur 117/4.

MICELLANEOUS

Burma New 192/8, Burma Petrol 5/14/6, Tata Oil 78, Mackenzie 147/8, Fort Canning 103/8, Zandu 215, Indian Radio Ord. 455, B. 425, Defd. 425, Indian Investment Trust 125, Wimco 320, Tata Chemical 20/4, Dharamsi Chemical 42, Eastern Chemical 12/4, Mukund Iron 12/8, Dena Trust 26, Alembic 322/8, Supreme Industries 226/4, Jam Wire 141/8, Bombay Uganda 81, Bombay Cycle 35, Indian Cement (1937) 34, Walchand Nagar Industries 610, Associated Cement Coupan 20

PREFERENCE SHARES.

Tata Steel 1st 225, Tata Steel Second 168, Tram 68/12, Andhra 1607/8 Tata Power 1725, Hydro 161/4, Bombay Steamer 347/8, Nagpur 725, Vishnu 802/8, Laxmi 302/8, New Great 251/4, Poddar 116/8, Elphinstone 126/14, Bradbury 535, Surat Elec. 206/4, Premier Const. 1st 137/4, Second 137/8, Amalgamated 153/12, Habib 50, Tata Chemical 124/8, Walchand Industries 283/12

OTHER SHARES.

Indian Iron 41/10, Bengal Steel 34/3, Indian Copper 3/3/6, B. I. C. 6/11/6, Burma Corporation 5/9, New Victoria Mill 7/14, New Victoria Pref. 9/8, Cawnpore Tex 12/12, Raja Tex 71, Phalton 158, Gold Mohar 300, New Kaiser-i-Hind 2460, Osmanshahi 300, Ajamshahi 595.

### GOLD & SILVER

The Bullion market was extremely dull to-day and trading was restricted.

The Reserve Bank of India sold today 20,000 tolas gold at Rs. 77/12.

Forward gold opened at Rs. 77/11 and improved to Rs. 78 and later steadied at Rs. 77/15. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 77/15/6.

Silver opened at Rs. 136/4 and improved to Rs. 136/8 and steadied at Rs. 136/5. Ready silver for the day was quoted at a premium of annas 12 while to-morrow's delivery was placed at a premium of annas eight. The market was quietly steady.

Later on there was increased selling from professional bears to the extent of about 600 bars. The offerings were taken over by the bulls. Calcutta Silver was quoted lower at Rs. 134/4. Closing quotations was as under:—

| | Rs. | as. | p. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Ready Silver | 135 | 10 | 0 |
| Silver Settlement | 135 | 2 | 0 |
| Ready Gold | 77 | 8 | 6 |
| Gold Settlement | 77 | 8 | 0 |

### BOMBAY COTTON

The cotton market opened at Rs. 427 for September delivery and declind to Rs. 426/4 on scattered selling. Later the market steadied at Rs. 426/8. Trading was restricted and price movement was narrow.

Later on there was slightly increased selling as more cotton was declared pass at surveys and appeals. July was quiet at Rs. 412/8 while September was quoted at Rs. 425/8. The market closed at 6 p.m. as under:—

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| I.C.C. July | 412 | 8 | 0 |
| I.C.C. Sept. | 425 | 12 | 0 |

### Cotton Parity

Indian Cotton September Contract is 653 cent points below New York October at Exchange rate 331.

### High & Low Cotton Prices

BOMBAY, July 11.

I.C.C. July Highest 417.1/4 Lowest 415-1/2, Closing at 6 p.m. 417.

I.C.C. Sept. Highest 427.1/4, Lowest 425-1/2, Closing at 6 p.m. 427.

Karachi 4F July Highest 42/7/3, Lowest 42/1/6, Closing at 6 p.m. 42/6/9.


THE BANK OF BARODA, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in Baroda, Liability of Members being limited)

The profit of the Bank of Baroda, Ltd., for the half year ended 30th June 1945, subject to audit, including Rs. 4,54,587-10-6 brought forward amounts to Rs. 19,44,104-15-8.

The Directors have resolved to declare an Ad-Interim dividend at the rate of 10% per annum free of income-tax which will absorb Rs. 4,90,979-0-0 and to carry forward the balance of Rs. 14,44,125-15-8 to the next account.

THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

The net profit of the Central Bank of India, Limited, for the half-year ended 30th June 1945, subject to audit, including the sum of Rs. 15,65,778-8-5 brought forward from the last year's account amounts to Rs. 60,84,444-9-3 which the Directors have resolved to dispose of as follows:—

To pay an Ad-Interim dividend at the rate of 10 per cent per annum, free of Income-Tax (i.e Re. 1/4 per share) for the half-year ended 30th June 1945.

Rs. 12,55,945-0-0

To pay to the Shareholders a Bonus of annas four per share that is 2% per annum, free of Income-Tax

Rs. 2,51,189-0-0

To carry forward to next half-year's account, subject to provision for taxation

Rs. 45,77,310-9-3

Rs. 60,84,444-9-3


### Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, July 12.

MILLS.

Ahmedabad Advance 400.
Apollo 3,15/9 & 3,15,6.
Bharat 61 62.
B Dyeing 1920 22/8 18,12 21/4 17/8 30 22,8
Bradbury (Ord) 310.
Bradbury (Pref) 535.
Central India (Ord) 381 80 81 80,8 82/8 82 83 82/8.
Century 903/12.
Colaba 222/8 21 23.
Edward 630 32/8.
Elphinstone (Ord) 82 83.
Elphinstone (Pref) 126,14.
Finlay 291 93 92 95/8 94/8 95.
Gokak 302/8 6 5/8 6/8 5 11 10 10/8.
India United (Defd) 2/15 2,15 2,14 2/14/9.
India United (Ord) 14/5 14,3 14,5 14/4/6 14/5.
Khatau 323/12.
Indore 705 10 8/12.
Kohinoor 611 12/8 11 13/8 12/3 15/8 16.
Luxmi 1375.
Madhusudan 437/8.
Meyer 192/8 90 91/4.
Model 260.
Morarjee 735 32/8 33/12.
New Great 254 85 83/8 88/8 85/8 89 88/8.
Sassoon Silk 78/8.
Sassoon Cotton 20/10.
Shribilvas 365
Simplex 283 87/8 86 88 87 88/8 87/8.
Swadeshi 536 36/8 35 38.
Swan 311 16.
Tata Mills 67 67/8 66 66/8 66.
Vishnu 492/8.

BANKS.

Baroda 151/8 52 51/8.
Central 87/8 86/8 88.
Habib 82.
Imperial (Old) 2185 82/8.
Imperial (New) 542/8.
India 196/8 98/8 98.
International 53.
National Savings (P. P.) 39/8.
Reserve 142/8 42 42/4.
Union 8/14/6.
United Commercial 76/8 77/8 77/4.

ELECTRIC.

Ahmedabad 238/2.
Andhra Valley (Ord) 1790 180b 2/8.
Tram (Ord) 143 50/8 47.
Tram (Pref) 67/8 68/12.
B. Suburban 215 14/6.
Tata Hydro 205 5/8 4/8 5
Tata Power (Ord) 1875 85 80 85 80.

INSURANCE.

New India 82/4 81/8 82/8 82/4.
Oriental 6600.
Bombay Steam 625 27/8 22/8 25 22/8 25
Scindia 38/2 37/9 37/11 37/10.
Tata Steel (Defd) 2237/8 42/8 37/8 42/8 31/4 37/8 35 38/12 36/4 37/8.
Tata Steel (Ord) 416 15 16 15/8 16/8 15 18/8 17 17/8.
Tata Steel (1st Pref) 225.
Tata Steel (2nd Pref) 167 68/4 68.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 403/12 5 2/8 7/8.
A Cement 213/8 14 11/12 12.
Belapun 220 21.
Burmah (Old) 521/4 17/8 20.
Burmah (New) 191/4 92/8.
B. B. Petrol 5/15 5/14 5/14/6.
Dharamsey Chemical 41 42.
Indian Bleaching 164.
I. I. Trust 125.
P Construction (Ord) 216/8 17 16 16/8 16.
P Construction (2nd Pref) 137.
Shivrajpur 49 50 49.
Tata Chemical 20/4.
Tata Oil 77/8 79 77/8 78
Walchandnagar (Ord) 588/12 610.
A. Cement Letter of Renunciation 36/12 37/4.
A. Cement Coupon 20/8 20.
Exchange Bank 57/8 60.
Cooria Mills 831/4.
Dawn Mills 1060.
Mandhra Bhon Rly. 110/8.

### Bombay Produce

BOMBAY, July 12.

The market was quiet to-day with increased realising Groundnuts Bombay Khandesh quality Rs. 14/15 for July-August delivery while August-September was quoted at Rs. 16/8. Goa July-August Rs 16, August-September Rs. 16/3. New December-February Rs. 16/2. Castorseeds Bombay Rs. 15/10, Navlakhi Rs. 15/12 and Goa Rs. 15/13. Linseed C. P. and U. P. Rs. 18/15. G. I. P. Stations R. 18/14. N. S. Rly. Rs. 18/13. Satna Sinali Rs. 18/12.

### Bengal Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. Three Crores (Rupees three crores only) of three months' Government of Bengal Treasury Bills were opened on Thursday, the 12th July. Total amount offered was Rs. 4,35,00,000.

Tenders at Rs. 99-14-6 and above were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-14-3 allotted approximately 55 per cent. Total amount accepted was Rs. Three Crores, the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0-6-2 per cent per annum.

### Wall Street Market Views Pessimistically Mounting Labour Disputes

NEW YORK, July 11.—Wall Street opened firm and moderately active and assorted issues exhibited modest rising tendencies, but many leaders were at a standstill. Earnings and dividends and individual situations persisted as buying arguments, but the handicaps included possible additional anti-market moves by Washington and scepticism over cutbacks and international problems. Leaders with scattered exceptions retreated in an orderly manner with the decline attributed to possible domestic repurcussions, should the British elections results go against the Conservatives, while the slipping prices on the London Stock Exchange reflected growing doubts. The mounting labour disputes throughout the United States were viewed pessimistically and the market closed easy. American Telephone 180 (181), Amerex Corporation 32-3/8 (32-1/2), Anaconda Copper 34-1/2 (34-3/4), Chase National Bank 43-1/2 (43-7/8), Consolidated Oil 16-1/2 (16-5/8), Firestone Tyre 59 (59), General Electric 43-3/4 (43-3/4), General Motors 67-7/8 (67-7/8), Ingersol Rand 114 (113-1/2), International Nickel 34-3/8 (34-3/4), National City Bank of New York 45-3/4 (46-1/8), New York Central Rail 28-5/8 (29-3/8), Socony Vacuum 16 (16), Texas Corporation 53-1/4 (53-1/2), Union Carbon 89 (89), U.S. Smelting Refining 64-1/2 (65), U.S. Steel Corporation 69-3/8 (70-1/4), Western Union 48-1/2 (48).

### New York Cotton Fears Haviest Weevil Damage But Reacts On Realising

NEW YORK, July 11.—New York Cotton opened steady. The opening gains were extended on Commission House and trade buying with contracts scarce attributable principally to small acreage and crop ideas and the potential threat of heavy weevil damage with infestation reported to be heaviest for year. On the other hand the season's most favourable weekly weather report was practically ignored. Latterly prices eased in sympathy with securities and wheat together with increased realising and hedges due to technical considerations and possible reconsiderations of the favourable weekly weather report. The fact that the recent advance carried prices above Government selling prices also brought out realising. The session closed barely steady.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, July 11

| | |
|---|---|
| July | 22.72+02 |
| October | 23.00 |
| October highest (11-25 a.m.) | 23.11+11 |
| October lowest (2-29 p.m.) | 23.00 |
| December | 23.02 |
| January | 22.99 |
| March | 23.01—03 |
| May | 23.00—04 |
| July | 22.80—07 |
| Middling Spot | 23.45 |

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

| | |
|---|---|
| July | 22.65 bid |
| October | 22.99+02 |
| December | 22.90—93 |
| March | 22.93—95 |
| Middling Spot | 22.55 |

NEW YORK COTTON NOON CALL

| | |
|---|---|
| July | 22.72 |
| October | 23.00 |
| December | 23.02 |

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, July 11

T. T. London on:—
New York sellers 4.02.1/2, buyers 4.03.1/2, Madrid official 44.00, Montreal sellers 4.43, buyers 4.47, Zurich sellers 17.3, buyers 17.4, Stockholm sellers 16.85, buyers 16.95.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, July 11

Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c £73-1/4, Consols 2.1/2 p c £83-3/8, Conversion Loan 3.1/2 p c 1961 £106-1/4, War Loan 3-1/2 p c £104-1/16, Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90 £113-15/16, Victory Bonds 4 p c £114-3/8 Chartered Bank of I. A. and China £11-5/8, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Reg) £88, National Bank of India £41.3/4.

### Egyptian Government Seeks Abolition Of American Subsidy

LONDON, July 12.

The "Manchester Guardian" Cairo correspondent reports that the minimum prices of new cotton crop are being increased by ten per cent on the basis of a fully good and fair C. I. F. Alexandria.

This was disclosed by the Finance Minister when he gave the Egyptian Parliament a review of Government's cotton policy. There had been allegations in the Chamber that the British Cotton Buying Commission deliberately depressed the prices through a monopoly of the market. The Egyptian Finance Minister denied these and announced that the Government was negotiating with Britain, with a view to relaxing controls and restoring trade to normal channels.

He also revealed that Egypt had protested against American subsidy and was seeking its abolition through diplomatic channels and that simultaneously with the relaxation of control, the Government would abolish the Cotton Export Tax.—(U. P. I.).

### MONEY MARKET

Bombay, July 12

LONDON: Banks Buying 90 Days/sight 1/6 7/32 1 and 2 months, 90 Days/sight 1/6 1/4 3 to 6 months

B C RATES: T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 3/32

LONDON/NEW YORK:

Banks selling T T Rs 332 3/4 D D Rs 332 3/4

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs 329 1/2

LONDON/MONTREAL:

Banks selling T T Rs 302 1/2 D D Rs 302 1/2

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs 295 3/4

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Dull.

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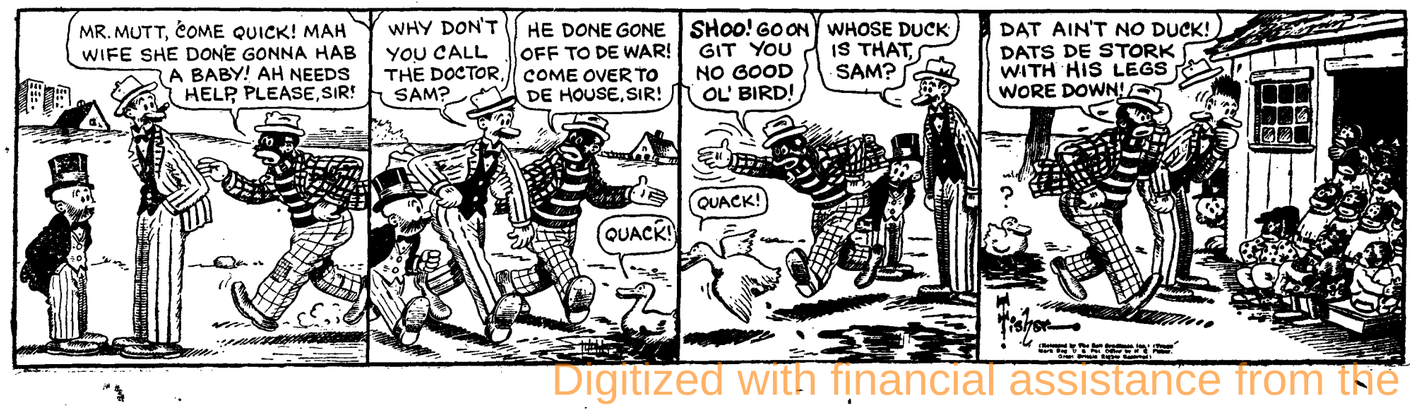
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1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts for the period ended 31st March, 1945.
2. To declare a dividend.
3. To confirm the charities.
4. To elect Directors in place of those retiring.
5. To appoint auditors for the ensuing year and to fix their remuneration.
6. To pass a Special Resolutions regarding alteration to be made in Articles 94 and 98 of Articles of Association.
7. To transact such other business as may be brought forward by the Directors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from 13th July to 11th August 1945, (Both days inclusive).

By order of the Board of Directors,
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Secretaries, Treasurers & Agents.

Bombay 27-6-45.

N.B.—The Dividend if sanctioned, will be made payable at the Company's Registered Office on and after the 25th August 1945 to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register on the 13th July, 1945. (4029)

**NOTICE**

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for 3 temporary posts of Stenographers, minimum qualification should be matriculation. Speed should be not less than 120 words in shorthand and 40 words in typing. Pay upto 160|- according to qualifications and experience in the scale of 90-5-160.

(Sd.) N. M. KAMTE,
Dy. Controller General of C.S.
Western Region, Bombay.
Queen's Road.
Bombay Dated 12/7/45. 4036

**OF INTEREST TO PROPERTY OWNERS**

AN EXCELLENT PIECE of vacant land, admeasuring about 3,214 Sq. Yds. at Pali Hill, Bandra, is to be sold in one lot. The land is suitable for a residential bungalow and is ideally situated just off Main Road. A site plan of the property can be inspected at the Office of the undersigned and further particulars obtained during Office hours. The offer should reach us on or before 31st July, 1945.

GREGSON, BATLEY & KING,
Chartered Architects.
Chartered Bank Bldg.,
Fort, BOMBAY. 8790

**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING, POONA.**

SUB-OVERSEERS' CLASS.

A COURSE for training Sub-Overseers for the Public Works Department of about 9 months' duration will commence shortly. Minimum qualification is the Matriculation.

2. Eighty trainees will be admitted to the course, drawn as far as possible, equally from Gujarati, Marathi and Kannada speaking districts of the Province.

3. Trainees will be paid a stipend of Rs. forty per month and must sign an agreement to serve in the Public Works Department, if required, for a period of five years as Sub-Overseers on a scale of Rs. 50-2|1-60 E.B.-3|2-75 E.B.-5|3-90.

4. Trainees must make their own arrangements for boarding and lodging. Applications should reach the undersigned on or before the 20TH INSTANT.

5. The final selection will be made after a personal interview and a test examination, for which the candidate must appear at their own expense.

6. The applicant should state the following in their application (1) Date of Birth, (2) Mother tongue, (3) Caste creed or community, (4) Year of passing Matriculation with percentage of marks obtained, (5) Drawing or Technical experience, if any.

Only those who have obtained more than 45% marks in Mathematics need apply.

J. A. TARAPOREVALA,
Principal,
College of Engineering,
POONA. 4007

**MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE**

**For sale. Two obsolete single en**gined aeroplane fuselages with undercarriage without wheels Could be used as beach huts or shelters or for cutting up into short lengths of high class nickel chrome molybdenum steel tubing. Price Rs. 100|- each on site. May be viewed at Tata Air Lines, Juhu Aerodrome. 4025

**Kashmir goods, Tweeds, Wools,** Silks, Embroideries, Curios, Toys, etc., Unique terms offered. Free particulars, Kanwar and Co., Srinagar. (8586)

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF DISPOSALS**

(DISPOSALS DIRECTORATE)

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the purchase of the following stores lying at the places mentioned below:—

| NOMENCLATURE | QUANTITY | LOCATION |
|---|---|---|
| I. GLASS SUBSTITUTE:— | SQ. FT. | |
| 3|4' Mesh Wire Base. | 20,862¾ | 138, Belliaghata Road, CALCUTTA |
| Sunralite | 8,089 | |
| Wirelite | 443½ | |
| Windolite | 117,982½ | |
| Shieldex Excelite | 55161½ | |
| Shieldex Transcendant | 36,700 | |
| II. GLASS SUBSTITUTES | 1,507 | M.S.D. Bombay. |

The goods will be sold without guarantee of their condition and subject to the conditions of contract laid down in form CON 117 which can be seen at the offices of the Controller of Supplies (Disposals Branch) of all areas and Director of Disposals, New Delhi. Stores can be inspected where lying by arrangement with the officer incharge.

Offers in tenderer's own form in sealed cover superscribed "Tender No. DGD|SR-1200|SCI" should be accompanied by a deposit at call receipt for Rs. 500|- deposited as earnest money in Imperial or Reserve Bank of India or a Government Treasury in favour of Director of Disposals, New Delhi, and reach Director of Disposals Shahjahan Road, New Delhi, by 4 P.M. on 31-7-45. Offers should remain open for acceptance upto 15-8-45. Delivery of the store will be ex-site and removal should be completed by 31-8-45. Tenderers will be at liberty to quote for the entire quantity or a portion thereof. Rates to be quoted separately per sq. ft. for each item. 3939

**NOTICE.**

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF DISPOSALS

(Disposals Directorate)

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the purchase of the following stores lying at the places mentioned below:—

| NOMENCLATURE | QUANTITY | LOCATION |
|---|---|---|
| Acid Acetic Glacial B.P | 3800 lbs. | Khamaria. |
| " " " A.R. | 10809 lbs. | -do- |
| " " " B.P. | 10000 lbs. | M|s Prem & Co., Qarol Bagh, Delhi. |
| Lead Acetate Normal. | 2100 lbs. | Kirkee. |

The goods will be sold without guarantee of their condition and subject to the conditions of contract laid down in form Con 117. Samples and conditions of contract can be seen at the offices of the Controllers of Supplies (Disposals Branch) of all areas and Director of Disposals Shajahan Road, New Delhi.

Offers in tenderers own form in sealed cover superscribed "TENDER NO: DGD|SR-203|CHM" should be accompanied by a deposit at call receipt for Rs. 200|- deposited as earnest money in Imperial or Reserve Bank of India or a Government Treasury in favour of Director of Disposals, New Delhi and reach Director of Disposals New Delhi, by 4 p.m. on 10-8-45. Offers should remain open for acceptance upto 25-8-45. Delivery of the store will be ex-site and removal should be completed by 15-9-45. Tenderers will be at liberty to quote for the entire quantity or a portion thereof Rates to be quoted separately per pound for each item. 4027

## FRENCH NATIONAL DAY (14th JULY)

On the occasion of the French National Day, Monsieur Pierre BERTHELOT, French Consul in Bombay, will receive all members of the French colony residing or passing through Bombay at the French Consulate 87 B, Nepean Sea Road, Bombay, on Saturday 14th July 1945 between 5-30 and 8-30 p. m. (3960)

**G. I. P. RAILWAY**

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

WANTED CANDIDATES who have passed Matriculation or equivalent examination to fill 10 temporary posts of Chief Head Watchmen, pay 60|- p.m. Age between 21 and 27 years on 30|6|1945. (Candidates with Military Service may apply up to the age of 40 years). Candidates with Police or Military experience or who have successfully completed the full course of instruction in a Police Training School will be given preference. Further particulars and form of application are obtainable from the Superintendent, Watch & Ward, G. I .P. Railway, Bombay, on remittance of Re. 1|- by Money Order so as to reach him not later than 20th July 1945. The application form, duly filled in, with attested copies of necessary certificates, should reach that Officer on or before the 15th August 1945. Money Order coupon must show candidate's name and address in BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS. Only selected candidates will be called for interview and they should attend at their own expense. Any attempt to influence selection will disqualify the candidate for consideration. Every successful candidate must satisfy the Railway's Medical Officer that (a) he has been successfully vaccinated, (b) his distant vision tested with Landolt's split rings is not less than 6|9 in one eye and 6|12 in the other, without glasses, and (c) any admissible myopia is not more than 4 D. In the case of Scheduled caste candidates the age limit will be extended by 3 years and the fee for application form is annas 0|4|0 only. 4032

**BOMBAY PORT TRUST**

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for temporary posts of Loco Drivers. At least 2 years' Railway experience necessary. Minimum pay Re. 0-4-3 per hour rising by annual increments to the maximum of Re. 0-7-0 per hour. 10% house allowance will be paid if quarters are not available. Applicants' certificates of previous employment should be forwarded. Successful applicants will be required to pass a medical examination by the Port Trust Medical Officer. Applications should be addressed to the Assistant Mechanical Superintendent, Loco Shed, Bombay Port Trust Railway, Wadala, Bombay.

H. A. GAYDON,
Manager,
Bombay Port Trust Railway,
Nicol Road, Ballard Estate,
Bombay.
11th July, 1945. 4030

**NOTICE.**

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the posts of ACCOUNTS SUPERVISORS from Bachelors of Commerce and others possessing good Accounting qualifications, on a pay of Rs. 100-5-175, in connection with the Civil Supply Scheme, for work in the Marathi and Kanarese districts. The work involves touring in the talukas of the district to which posted, for which travelling allowance under the Bombay Civil Services Rules will be given. No travelling allowance will, however, be given to join first appointment. They are liable to transfer to other districts, if necessary. None who is not willing to work in the districts need apply. Applications should be sent to the Chief Accounts Officer, Finance Department (Supply), Council Hall, Bombay, so as to reach him not later than the 21st July, 1945.

R. R. RANA,
Establishment Officer,
Finance Department (Supply),
Bombay. (4042)

**BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.**

Stores Department

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the supply of Baboolwood logs, Vellapine Scantlings and boards.

Tenders should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Head Offices, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, NOT LATER THAN 1 P.M. (B.T.) ON WEDNESDAY. THE 25TH JULY 1945. The forms of contract, specifications etc. will be issued by the undersigned on payment of Rs. 2 -.

Tenders must be brought duly sealed to the Municipal Offices and delivered at the Chief Accountant's Office as directed above. Tenderers shall not be allowed to fill in or seal their tenders at the Chief Accountant's or any other Municipal Office.

By order of the Municipal Commissioner,
A. H. K. SHAIKH,
Controller of Stores.
566, DeLisle Road,
Bombay No. 11.
Dated, 13th July, 1945. 4033

**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING POONA.**

SUB-OVERSEERS' CLASS.

APPLICATIONS are invited before the 25th instant for the following posts:

(1) One Lecturer in the scale of Rs. 200-10-250. (Experienced B.E.s only).
(2) Three Assistant Lecturers in the scale of Rs. 135-8-215. (B.E.s and Diploma holders).
(3) Two Demonstrators in the scale of Rs. 116-8-180. (Diploma holders & Practical men).
(4) One Store-keeper and one Clerk in the scale of Rs. 60-5|2-75. (Matriculates).

The usual dearness allowance is permissible for all these posts.

Candidates should state in their applications (1) Educational qualifications, (2) Caste creed or community, (3) Age, (4) Experience if any. Domiciles of British Territory only need apply.

J. A. TARAPOREVALA,
Principal,
College of Engineering,
POONA. (4008)

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**THE INTERNATIONAL BANK OF INDIA LTD.**

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Power of Attorney granted by us in favour of Mr. C. H. Divanji, Branches Manager, has been revoked since he has ceased to be in the service of this Bank with effect from 12th July, 1945.

M. D. DESAI, B.A.,
Bar-at-Law,
Managing Director. 4039

**NOTICE.**

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from Law Graduates or men who have been in the trade for a long time or from experienced Police Officers for temporary posts of Assistant Inspectors. There may be a vacancy for an Inspector's Post also.

Pay for Inspectors: 350-20-500 and for Assistant Inspectors 200-10-300.

Muslims and members of the scheduled castes will be given preference.

Applications should reach the Deputy Controller General of Civil Supplies, Western Region, Queen's Road, Bombay, on or before the 1st August 1945.

(Sd.) N. M. KAMTE,
Deputy Controller General of C. S.
Western Region, Bombay. (4037)

## LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT (1) Mrs. AIMAI PESTONJI KARAKA, (2) Mr. SAM BAMANJI DARAB SETH and (3) JAL BAMANJI DARAB SETH of Bombay, Parsi Inhabitants, have contracted for the absolute sale to my clients of the property described in the schedule hereunder written free from all incumbrances.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, possession, mortgage, sale, exchange, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at his Office at Lake View, Thana, within 14 days from the date hereof; otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All those pieces or parcels of land situate on Wadavali Road and Mahul Road, Chembur, in Bombay Suburban District, Registration Sub-District, Bandra, Registration District Bombay Suburban bearing the following Survey Nos. etc.

| Survey No. | Hissa No. | Area. Gunthas. |
|---|---|---|
| 74 | 3 | 17½ |
| | | 23¾ |
| 74 | 4 | 9½ |
| | | ¼ |
| 85 | 2 | 4 |
| 65 | 3 | 35 |
| | | 4¼ |
| 85 | 7 | ¼ |
| 86 | 2 | 8½ |
| | | 1½ |
| 88 | 5 | 6½ |
| | | 1 |
| 87 | 1 | 38¾ |
| | | 4 |
| 87 | 3 | 14¼ |
| | | 1 |
| 87 | 5 | 2 |
| | | ¼ |
| 88 | | 30¼ |
| | | 1 |
| 94 | 2 | 10¾ |
| | | ¾ |
| | | Gunthas 194 |

Dated this 12th day of July, 1945.

G. G. PRADHAN,
Advocate for the Purchasers. (4031)

**NOTICE.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai VEERA, widow of Shivnarayan Ramanand Khaitan, MULCHAND SHIVNARAYAN and BAJRANGLAL alias BAIJNATH SHIVNARAYAN, all of Malad Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property of whatsoever nature are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Hamam House, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece of land of the Pension and tax tenure, situate at Naviwadi Street, outside the Fort of Bombay in the registration Sub-District of Bombay, described as containing by admeasurement 636 sq. yards or thereabout in former title deeds but according to Cadastral City Survey 666 sq. yards or thereabouts together with the dwelling house and out-houses standing thereon and registered in the Books of the Collector under New No. 658, New Survey No. 285 and Cadastral Survey No. 1910 of Bhuleshwar Division and assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under C Ward Nos. 4896 and 4898 and Street No. 12.

Dated this 12th day of July, 1945.

AMIN DESAI & NANAVATI,
Purchaser's Attorneys. (4035)

## AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF 184 BALES MOGHLAI JERILA & C. P. No. 1 JERILA COTTON (INTO BALES & LOOSE).

MENESSE & CO. will sell by Public Auction on Friday the 13th July, 1945, at 2-30 P. M. (S.T.) at Sewree Cotton Depot at "K" Shed of the Bombay Port Trust Railway by order of the Insurance Offices concerned the above mentioned damaged cottcn.

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